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Peru:  
Sendero Luminoso

Summary

Sendero Luminoso (SL) is a small, Maoist terrorist group. Its largest concentration of armed followers is in the Andean department of Ayacucho, although it has small cells in Lima and other metropolitan areas.

At present, SL's numerical weakness and lack of popular support outside certain areas of Ayacucho do not give it the capability to threaten the government directly. If the civilian security forces fail to control its activities, however, President Fernando Belaunde probably would have to authorize the military to take a direct role. A similar situation occurred during Belaunde's first presidency and in part led to his subsequent ouster. We believe that even if the military does intervene again, however, a related coup against Belaunde is unlikely because he would make every effort to limit the military's involvement and strengthen his own control.

Background

Sendero Luminoso (Shining Path) is a radical, leftist terrorist and insurgent group that follows the organizational and ideological model of Mao's peasant-based revolution in China. The SL's goals are to bring down the Belaunde government and to remove foreign—particularly US—influence from Peru.

The SL was formed in the rural southern department of Ayacucho in the late 1960s by Ruben Alimael Guzman Reynoso, then a philosophy teacher at the San Cristobal de Huamanga National University in Ayacucho. Guzman was also a member of the Bandera Roja, a pro-Chinese Communist party made up

primarily of attorneys, professors, and merchants. Guzman and his followers—mostly craftsmen, peasants, and students—charged that the group was increasingly favoring urban areas to the detriment of the countryside and was overly emphasizing armed struggle. Since formally breaking with the Bandera Roja to pursue a more violent path, Guzman has maintained that the SL is the only legitimate Communist party in Peru.

SL's Operations

Following President Belaunde's inauguration in 1980, the SL embarked on a campaign of low-risk, high-profile terrorist attacks consisting primarily of dynamiting electrical towers, public buildings, and such symbols of authority as the Justice Ministry and police posts. Within the last year, however, SL operations have increased. While bombings continue, attacks against people, including the assassination of local officials and suspected police informants, are increasing.

Members of the SL are organized into cells that operate independently.

While the heaviest concentration remains in Ayacucho, recent activities and reports indicate an increased presence in Lima and other metropolitan areas.





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[REDACTED] not only is the SL's Maoist ideology incompatible with Soviet philosophy, but, more importantly, Moscow values its arms relationship with Peru, its only client in South America.

The US Embassy reports that members arm themselves with small arms and machineguns purchased in Peru or stolen from police and military posts. Explosives are stolen from mines and construction sites. Funds are obtained primarily from robberies, although there are unconfirmed reports of money being extorted from narcotics traffickers. Indoctrination and paramilitary training are given at clandestine "people's schools."

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Twice in little more than a year, the US Embassy was the target of bomb attacks, presumably perpetrated by the SL. On 31 August 1981, dynamite thrown from a passing vehicle caused structural damage to the chancery and ambassador's residence; recently a caller to a Lima newspaper claimed that the SL was responsible for the attack. In an almost identical operation on 24 July 1982, terrorists used more sophisticated nitrate-based explosives, which caused

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minor damage to the chancery; three Peruvian policemen guarding the compound were injured. In addition, US and other foreign-owned businesses have been targets.

Other recent terrorist operations suggest that the SL's plan to increase its activity is being implemented. In March, the SL mounted a highly successful attack on the Ayacucho prison and freed 247 inmates, including accused and convicted terrorists. More recently, numerous civil guard posts and small municipalities have been attacked. Last month, the SL dynamited several electrical towers near Lima, blacking out the city for several hours. At present, states of emergency exist in Lima, Callao, three provinces of Ayacucho department, and one in Apurimac department.

#### The Threat to the Government

The threat to the Belaunde administration is indirect. We judge that the SL cannot by itself overthrow the government, and its operations in the past tended to recede temporarily in response to government pressure, implying that they may fall off again under the current state of emergency. If, however, the terrorists were to assassinate a prominent official, pull off another spectacular such as the jailbreak in Ayacucho, or generally stage more technically sophisticated operations, military pressure on Belaunde to sanction a direct Army role could be overwhelming. Civil-military relations could then undergo a period of stress, although we are by no means certain that the Belaunde government would be threatened by a military takeover as a result.

The SL appears to enjoy little popular support, even in Ayacucho, although it may appeal to a few Indian groups by harking back to their Incan heritage.

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By assassinating suspected informants and local officials, the SL has probably alienated most people in the affected area. The periodic attacks in Lima have not won SL many adherents in the capital, whose more sophisticated

non-Indian inhabitants are even less likely to appreciate the SL's unusual ideology than the highland population.

The SL probably believes, however, that its current tactics—even though they may not be winning much popular support—will provoke a violent response by the Army. They hope that this in turn will lead to military repression and a subsequent rise in popular sympathy for the SL and its violent tactics. The Peruvian public so far seems to be increasingly weary of terrorist disturbances, however, and is probably more likely to approve of direct military action against the SL than to support the terrorists.

In its operations to date, the SL has not posed a significant threat to the military. Destruction of electrical towers and assaults on isolated police posts are difficult to prevent and require little technical expertise to execute. Most of the SL's recent urban operations could have been planned and carried out by small well-trained units.

According to the US Embassy, most of the SL's successes—such as the Ayacucho jailbreak—can be attributed to the laxity and inefficiency of the civilian security forces. Rivalries among the various intelligence and law enforcement organizations hamper the government's efforts. The competing organizations often refuse to share information or to follow up leads, as was notably the case in the jailbreak. Coordinating and centralizing intelligence and law enforcement activities, combined with more modern police equipment, probably would give the civilian services all they need to neutralize the SL. We see no indication, however, that this patchwork will be overcome in the near future, increasing the likelihood that Belaunde may have to bring in the Army.

#### Likelihood of Intervention

We agree with the Embassy assessment that Belaunde will delay involving the military as long as possible, even at the risk of appearing indecisive. He clearly hopes that the civilian forces, aided by increased military logistic support, can hold the line against the SL. The President remembers his master in 1968 by a military that had become highly polarized during its earlier involvement in a counterinsurgency campaign,

and he does not want to set up a similar situation now. In addition, the Embassy reports he is concerned that a tough Army antiterrorist campaign might endanger Peru's favorable human rights image and perhaps aid the SL's hopes of increasing its public support.

We believe military intervention could follow an incident that highlighted police inefficiency and made the terrorists appear more dangerous than we believe they are. It could also result from a long period of heightened terrorist activity that clearly could not be controlled by civilian forces. A major SL success against an Army unit—rather than the police—could also provoke a military response.

Military sources report that about a year ago they believed that, if they were ordered to move against the SL, the President would have to muzzle any press criticism of their actions. They also insisted that the Army be given command of all antiterrorist operations and total control of all routes in and out of Ayacucho. Belaunde probably would refuse to grant the military such sweeping authority and would try to maintain his ability to monitor and control the scope of operations. He might, for example, allow the Army to operate in isolated Ayacucho, where civilian security forces have been less successful than in Lima. He would be less likely to surrender full civilian authority in the capital or other major cities, where large-scale military activity would be under closer national and international scrutiny. We believe that the service chiefs would agree to some such restrictions to prevent a major break with the President, which they probably would prefer to avoid.

#### Outlook

While tensions between civilian and military authorities almost certainly would rise during an Army



intervention against the SL, we believe that this would probably not lead to a coup. Military leaders are not eager to resume political power because they are fully aware that they have no innovative solutions to Peru's current problems. Most want to concentrate on professional matters neglected during the 12 years the military governed the country.

The survival of Peruvian democracy—and particularly the pro-US Belaunde government—remains important both for its demonstration effect and for the long-term prospects for stability in the region. We do not believe that SL alone currently represents a threat to Belaunde, but the military—the direct threat—will be carefully monitoring events. Military intervention would become more likely as a result of:

- Increasing popular support for the SL.
- Evidence of substantial foreign assistance to the SL.
- Terrorist activity in the southern and jungle regions.
- Larger, more sophisticated SL operations against important government targets, especially military units.

Even under these circumstances, the SL would almost certainly be shattered by a confrontation with the Army, especially if the military had the kind of unfettered authority it would like. The terrorists are still at a relatively rudimentary stage and the Army has performed effectively in past counterinsurgency campaigns.

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Press Conference and Capabilities of Cuban Security Forces

Pera's official security forces are hampered in the struggle against the Sendero-Luminosa terrorist group by apathy, inadequate equipment, inadequate morale, poor training, and lack of coordination in gathering and sharing intelligence on subversive activities.

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**Peru: Counterterrorist Capabilities  
of Civilian Security Forces (U)**

Peru's civilian security forces are hampered in their struggle against the Marxist terrorist group Sendero Luminoso.

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concentrated in the rural Andean department of Ayacucho, where it enjoys most of its popular support, but there are also small cells in Lima and other metropolitan areas.

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Following Belandier's inauguration in 1990, the group embarked on a campaign of low-risk, high-profile terrorist attacks consisting primarily of dynamiting

electrical towers, public buildings, and police posts. Within the last year, however, operations have become more aggressive, and have included an increasing number of assassinations of local officials and suspected police informants.

The memory of his murder is used by the military, which had been politicized during an earlier counter-insurgency campaign, has led Belandier to rely almost exclusively on civilian security forces to contain the threat. To date, the results have been mixed. In recent months, a number of individual members of the group have been arrested or killed. Nevertheless, repeated attacks on isolated police posts in Ayacucho have forced the overstretched civilian security forces to pull back and consolidate in larger garrisons. Incidents such as Sendero Luminoso's attack on Ayacucho prison in March, which freed many imprisoned terrorists, have highlighted police weaknesses and increased pressure on Belandier to sanction the direct involvement of the armed forces.

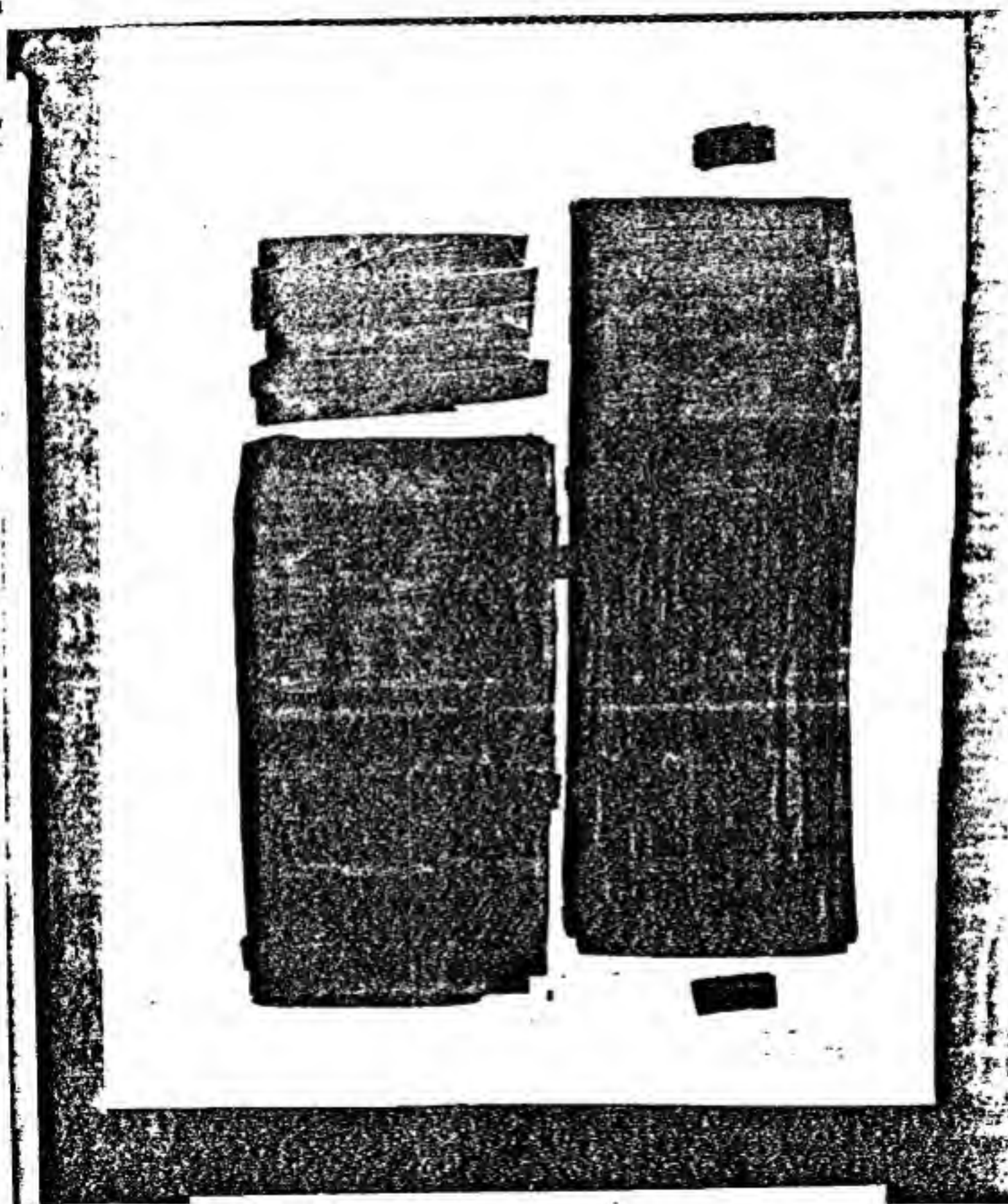
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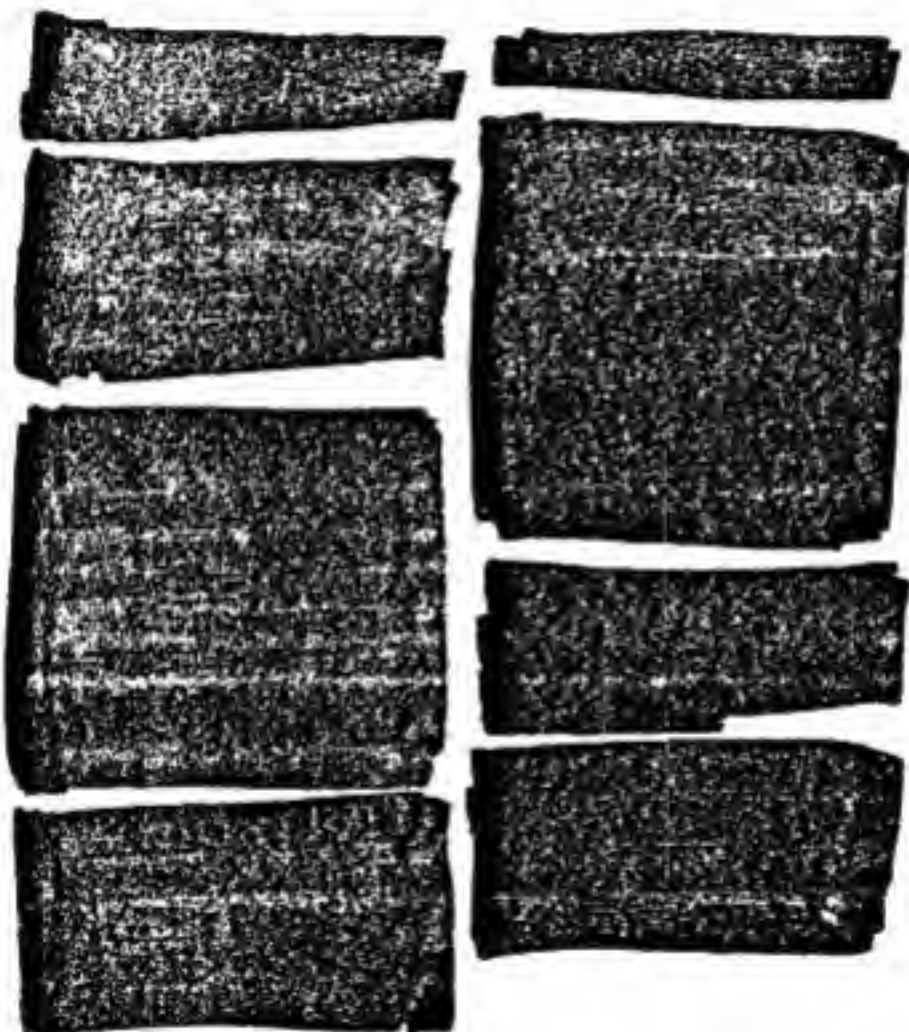





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Attacks against international targets in Peru dropped from 59 in 1986 to 39 in 1987, despite the fact that attacks against domestic targets rose from 479 in 1986 to 484 in 1987. Twenty-three of the international incidents were directed against US businesses and diplomatic personnel. Improved security precautions taken by foreigners living and working in the country probably contributed to the decline. (U)

Sendero Luminoso (SL), a radical, leftist terrorist and insurgent group, continued to grow in strength, expand into new areas of Peru's interior, and increase its urban terrorist activity during 1987. In addition to bombings and arson attacks, in 1987 for the first time the group is known to have carried out premeditated assassination attempts against foreign businessmen and diplomatic officials.

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The group attempted to assassinate the manager of the Bank of Tokyo in Lima early in the year, wounding the banker and his driver. SL also bombed the Bank of London office, critically injuring four persons. In August, SL shot the chauffeur of the Ambassador of South Korea in Lima.



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HONDURAS: PARTY UNDES AZCONA TRIAL FOR KILLINGS, <<MATTAA>> AFFAIR  
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(TEXT) MANAGUA, 8 APR (DPA)--THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY  
OF CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS OF HONDURAS, PREC-H, TODAY  
DEMANDED THAT HONDURAN PRESIDENT JOSE AZCONA HOYO AND ARMED  
FORCES COMMANDER GENERAL HUMBERTO RECALADO HERNANDEZ BE PUT ON  
TRIAL FOR THE DEATHS OF FIVE ((AS RECEIVED)) STUDENTS AND THE  
EXTRADITION OF RAMON <<MATTAA>> <<PALLESTEROS>>, AN ALLEGED DRUG  
TRAFFICKER.

A PREC-H COMMUNIQUE MADE AVAILABLE TO DPA'S MANAGUA OFFICE  
NOTES THAT <<MATTAA>> WAS "KIDNAPPED BY SPECIAL TROOPS ON ORDERS FROM  
THE U.S. GOVERNMENT," WAS THEN TAKEN FROM TEGUCIGALPA TO THE  
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, AND FROM THERE BROUGHT TO THE UNITED STATES.  
THE COMMUNIQUE NOTES THAT <<MATTAA>> WHO HAS BEEN ACCUSED BY THE  
UNITED STATES OF DRUG TRAFFICKING, WAS "FACING LEGAL PROCEDURES" IN  
HONDURAS. HIS KIDNAPPING "AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO HIS EXTRADITION"  
REPRESENTS AN ACTION THAT "VIOLATES THE CONSTITUTION" OF HONDURAS.  
THE PREC-H BELIEVES THAT THIS ILLEGAL ACTION PROVOKED THE PROTESTS  
IN "DEFENSE OF NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND DIGNITY."

"THE PEOPLE ROSE UP IN ANGER AND WERE ATTACKED BY MARINES WHO  
FIRED AT THEM WITH RIFLES KILLING FIVE ((AS RECEIVED)) PATRIOTS:  
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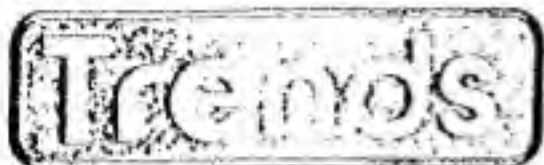
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MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 0023 RMT 31 APR 87

((TEXT)) LIMA, 20 APR (EFE) -- THE ARMED FORCES JOINT  
COMMAND CONFIRMED TODAY THE KILLING OF 10 SOLDIERS AND A CIVILIAN  
IN AN ATTACK BY PRESUMED MEMBERS OF SHINING PATH IN HUACAYELICA  
DEPARTMENT, SOUTHEAST OF LIMA.

IN A COMMUNIQUE RELEASED IN LIMA, THE JOINT COMMAND SAYS  
THAT THREE OTHER SOLDIERS WERE INJURED IN THE AMBUSH AT THE  
PORTIADO BRIDGE ON SUNDAY MORNING.

A SUBLEUTENANT, FIVE SERGEANTS, AND FOUR CORPORALS WERE KILLED.  
THE COMMUNIQUE SAYS THAT A SEARCH OPERATION TO CATCH "THE  
SUBVERSIVE CRIMINALS" IS BEING CONDUCTED IN THE AREA BY MILITARY  
PATROLS.

THE COMMUNIQUE ALSO SAYS THAT THE MILITARY GROUP WAS ON ITS  
WAY TO ASSIST THE POPULATION OF HUACAYELICA AND TO PARTICIPATE IN  
A FLAG RAISING CEREMONY, BUT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE MORE DETAILS.

POLICE SOURCES HAVE REPORTED THAT THE ATTACK WAS PERPETRATED  
WITH BOMBS HURLED AT THE TRUCK TRANSPORTING THE MILITARY AND  
CIVILIAN GROUP, 15 KM FROM HUACAYELICA, THE DEPARTMENTAL CAPITAL,  
840 KM SOUTHEAST OF LIMA.

THE TRUCK, PROPERTY OF A MINING COMPANY IN THE HUACAYELICA  
ZONE, WAS HIT BY EXPLOSIVE CHARGES AND BLEW UP, LEAVING THE  
OCCUPANTS SPRAWLED ON THE GROUND NEAR THE PORTIADO BRIDGE.

ACCORDING TO THE SAME SOURCES, THE SHINING PATH MEMBERS,  
AFTER THE TRUCK HAD OVERTURNED, OPENED FIRE ON THE OCCUPANTS,  
AND THEN FLED, TAKING THE SOLDIERS' WEAPONS.

HUACAYELICA IS BORDERED ON THE SOUTH BY AYACUCHO DEPARTMENT,  
AND SOME OF ITS PROVINCES WHERE TERRORISTS ARE ACTIVE ARE INCLUDED  
IN THE EMERGENCY ZONE.

YESTERDAY'S ATTACK ON MILITARY PERSONNEL TOOK PLACE 10 DAYS  
AFTER AN ATTACK IN THE HINCA DISTRICT OF LIMA, WHICH TOOK THE  
LIVES OF TWO ARMY OFFICERS AND FIVE CIVILIANS.

ON THAT OCCASION, MEMBERS OF THE SHINING PATH DARGED INTO  
A RESTAURANT WHERE OFFICERS FROM THE ARMED DIVISION WERE  
ATE LUNCH, AND OPENED FIRE AT THE OFFICERS.

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GENERAL PINOCHET INTERVIEWED ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

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[Text] Santiago, Chile, 8 Mar--The Santiago newspaper LA TERCERA DE LA BOMA on 7 March carries an interview with Chilean governing junta chief Gen Augusto Pinochet entitled: "There Is Not and There Has Not Been Any Violation of Human Rights in Chile." Here is his interview with newswoman Maria Eugenia Oyarrun:

"I do not answer insolent letters referring to acts which did not occur. Human rights have not been violated in Chile. This has been confirmed by the many delegations to whom it has been made easy to see what is happening in the country." This was General Pinochet's reply to a letter received by the Chilean Government from a UN Human Rights Committee. The committee had requested that the Chilean Government put an end to the "violation" of the charter of human rights.

In the exclusive interview granted to LA TERCERA General Pinochet said: "We have not violated human rights. Many delegations have come here to see what is happening and they have been given every opportunity to visit and to talk to whomever they wanted to. After these inspections the delegations which have come here have always said that everything is in order and have appreciated the opportunity given to them.

"Unfortunately, for political reasons, other reports have been released abroad. I can assure you that we do not have executions here. We have normal trials. Courts operate independently. We have issued statements explaining that a firm hand does not mean cruelty. It means justice."

Further on he said: "We, who have been trained by the armed forces and the carabineros, are not cruel. On the contrary, we have a genuinely humanitarian feeling.

"I will not answer the letter you mention because I do not accept letters which do not conform to the truth, which contain lies. Let me ask why they worry so much about us while they pay no attention to what is happening to human rights in Cuba and in countries behind the Iron Curtain. There a man is deprived of his citizenship for writing a book. In our country only those who act against the nation or promote a civil war among Chileans, from inside the country or from abroad, will be deprived of their citizenship."

GOVERNMENT REVEALS PLANS FOR NATION, LEFTISTS OMITTED

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[Enrique Guzman dispatch]

[Text] Santiago, Chile, 10 Mar--The main objective of Gen Augusto Pinochet's government is to establish a modern social democracy with an authentic nationalistic spirit, it was officially reported here today. This is the first time that the government has announced what it considers to be its general characteristics and its short- and long-range goals based on concepts previously worked out in part by the authorities.

The military junta revealed the principal aspects of its future action in a document released today, 6 months after the armed forces overthrew the leftist coalition government on 11 September. The government's short-range plan for the complete reconstruction of the country is oriented toward a humanist stance in a framework of freedom, solidarity and a clear state of law.

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According to Chilean authorities, the last 3 years of leftist coalition rule were years of deepening national crisis in which the economy was destroyed, social anarchy prevailed and institutions severely strained, in addition to the efforts to spread throughout the nation the moral corruption that characterized the last government.

In order to overcome this inherited crisis and to move toward a prosperous future, the military authorities believe that the image of the new Chile must transcend anti-Marxist or anticapitalistic systems while searching for a road that will lead Chile to the conquest of "its great destiny." The new society proposed by the military junta, in which all divisionist positions created by partisan political, economic or social interests will be overcome, will be distinguished by its strong historic roots, its freedom, egalitarianism, fraternity and solidarity; all elements that will conform with the new constitution, which a team of middle-of-the-road and conservative jurists is now drafting at the behest of the government.

The proposed national objectives presuppose the establishment of an effective, modern and representative social democracy, eliminating poverty and projecting to the whole world a cultural, political and economic image of a new Chile. Regarding a general policy, the tendency will be to create a renewed society and a new man through the adequate exercise of authoritarian power but intimately linked with the invariable application of flexible, apolitical and regenerative national justice.

The action program outlines in general the policy to be implemented in all national political, economic and social activities. In politics the government will, at an unspecified date, reestablish the national system by drafting a new constitution that will provide adequate security for the new Chile. Until this happens, however, the government considers it necessary to enforce this partisan political moratorium due to present national conditions and to develop civic preparedness, especially among the youth. According to this plan, Chileans must become aware of the levels and range that partisan politics should have and of the damage caused when it interferes with national interests in pursuit of partisan goals.

Not included in the new system are political parties opposed to the government's democratic system, such as the leftist parties which were outlawed when the military junta took command. The system is meant to include only middle-of-the-road and conservative parties which have been repressed indefinitely by the authorities.

In economics, the general objective is to reach balanced development by increasing production and harmonious action by capital, labor and nature, because Chilean society is morally and materially in a crisis. In social areas the government will promote, encourage and improve the organization of the community, making the necessary legislative changes to secure social development closely linked with economic development.

#### PRINTING

PRINTING OFFICE EXPROPRIATION--Santiago, Chile, 21 Feb--It was reported here today that the Horizonte printing office which was owned by the Communist Party of Chile will be transformed into an official publishing company to be named Minerva. The new publishing company will use the same machinery and shops which belonged to the outlawed Communist Party. [Buenos Aires LATIN in Spanish 0358 GMT 22 Feb 74 C]



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(EXCERPT) SAN VICENTE, 14 FEB -- THE CHAMBER OF THE  
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CENTRO) HAS CONFIRMED IN THIS CITY THAT THE TRIAL AGAINST  
FORMER NATIONAL GUARD AGENTS LUIS ANTONIO COLLINDES  
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CRISTIANI HAS PUBLICLY CONDEMNED THE MURDERS AND HAS PROMISED TO PUNISH THE KILLERS, EVEN IF THEY INCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES. AN INVESTIGATION IS UNDER WAY, AND THE GOVERNMENT HAS REQUESTED ASSISTANCE FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE US, THE UK, AND SPAIN.

ALTHOUGH NO HARD INFORMATION ON THE IDENTITY OF THE KILLERS IS AVAILABLE, A WIDE RANGE OF GROUPS HAVE ALREADY BLAMED THE GOVERNMENT. [REDACTED] SAYS ALLEGED EYEWITNESSES TO THE MURDERS

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HAVE NOT COME FORTH. MEANWHILE, THE REBELS HAVE ACCUSED THE MILITARY OF CAUSING CIVILIAN CASUALTIES BY INDISCRIMINATE AERIAL ATTACKS.

COMMENT: THE MURDER OF THE PRIESTS THREATENS TO OVERSHADOW OTHER ISSUES IN EL SALVADOR, INCLUDING THE REBELS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR STARTING THE OFFENSIVE AND THEIR INABILITY TO SPARK AN INSURRECTION OR REACH ANY OF THEIR MILITARY OBJECTIVES. EVEN IF THE KILLERS ARE IDENTIFIED, THE LIMITATIONS OF EL SALVADOR'S LEGAL SYSTEM, SUCH AS RESTRICTIONS ON USING CERTAIN TYPES OF EVIDENCE AND THE VULNERABILITY OF JUDGES TO BRIBERY OR INTIMIDATION, PROBABLY WILL HAMPER A SUCCESSFUL PROSECUTION. IF ROBERTO D'AUBUISSON, A POPULAR AND WELL-CONNECTED FIGURE IN RIGHTWING SALVADORAN POLITICS, IS INVOLVED IN THE KILLINGS [REDACTED] CRISTIANI PROBABLY ALSO WILL FACE GREAT POLITICAL PRESSURE TO PROTECT D'AUBUISSON, REGARDLESS OF CONCERNS ABOUT CONTINUED US AID. IT IS HIGHLY UNLIKELY CRISTIANI OR SENIOR MILITARY LEADERS ARE INVOLVED.

CHARGES THAT THE ARMED FORCES HAVE INDISCRIMINATELY ATTACKED CIVILIAN AREAS APPEAR EXAGGERATED. [REDACTED] PERSONNEL WHO TOURED THE NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE MOST OF THE FIGHTING OCCURRED SAY THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF INDISCRIMINATE BOMBING BY THE AIR FORCE, WHICH APPARENTLY ADHERED TO STRICT GUIDELINES FROM THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY LEADERSHIP. NONETHELESS, THE GOVERNMENT PROBABLY HAS UNDERESTIMATED CIVILIAN CASUALTIES--WHETHER CAUSED BY THE MILITARY OR THE REBELS.

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Headline: Further Reportage on Murder of Jesuit Priests

Author(s): reporter at radio station--live]

Source Line: PA1611221889 San Salvador Domestic Service in Spanish  
2011 GMT 16 Nov 89

Subslug: [Interview with Bishop Roberto Joaquin Ramos by reporter  
at radio station--live]

FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Interview with Bishop Roberto Joaquin Ramos by reporter at radio station--live]
2. [Text] [Reporter] Welcome, Mr Bishop.
3. [Ramos] Thank you. I want to appeal to the Salvadoran people for peace so that we may all struggle to build a community where [words indistinct] values.
4. It is regrettable that the dialogue process has come to a halt and that at a moment when the Germans are celebrating their unity, we are initiating an armed struggle.
5. I especially want to express my regret at the assassination of the Jesuit priests. This was a savage crime without precedent in El Salvador's history. [Words indistinct] to worsen the country's situation and to exacerbate passions to make peace increasingly difficult.
6. I hope that my brothers, all the Salvadorans who believe in Christ, may learn to value life as a precious gift from God, may learn to respect life, to respect other people's opinions, and to love others in spite of differences.
7. I also hope that this painful situation we have endured for the past 10 years will make us more aware of our duties as citizens and Christians. We have the obligation to build a more just society, more deserving of the name the nation has carried since the days of the colony: El Salvador.
8. I want the Savior to [words indistinct] to calm down this thirst of blood that is [words indistinct] and destroying useful lives, the

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lives of [words indistinct] and get over this storm [words indistinct] as members of a civilized society, of a Christian society.

9. [Reporter] Your statement comforts us at this difficult moment. Do you have any recommendation for the Salvadoran people as to what to do at this time?

10. [Ramos] I recommend to the Salvadoran people to remain calm, and especially to pray. [Words indistinct] the hearts of peace through love for God and the faith we may have.

11. [Reporter] Do you have any recommendation for the rebels, for the FMLN specifically?

12. [Ramos] I would ask them to reestablish the dialogue that has been broken. It has been confirmed, since the days when Cain killed his brother Abel, that violence is not the solution to injustice. Violence generates more violence, and, as civilized people, we should resolve our differences through negotiations and dialogue.

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Report Date:  
Language:

Headline: Further Reportage on Murder of Jesuit Priests

Source Line: PA1611230889 Madrid EFE in Spanish 2106 GMT 16 Nov 89

FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] Washington, 16 Nov (EFE)—Salvadoran Foreign Minister Jose Manuel Pacas Castro today condemned the assassination of six Jesuits and two women in his country, and he blamed the ultraleftist groups for it, although he said he had no proof.
2. "It is a repugnant crime," said the foreign minister, who was attending the 19th OAS General Assembly, and he described the assassinations as a "desperate action taken by the left."
3. Joao Baena Soares, secretary general of the OAS, was asked today to report to the assembly on the situation in El Salvador in compliance with the resolution on that country that was approved on Tuesday.
4. A communique released today by a Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front [FMLN] spokesman in Washington blamed the Salvadoran Army for the crime, and added that "all of the bodies had bullet wounds in the head, indicating that they were executed."
5. Pacas Castro said today that the Salvadoran Government, headed by Alfredo Cristiani, will maintain its commitment to a dialogue to discuss the suspension of the hostilities and to implement an internal peace process.
6. Moreover, he announced that an official mission, capable of making decisions and commitments, will travel to Caracas in the hope of meeting with representatives of the FMLN guerrillas.
7. The Salvadoran foreign minister said the situation in his country is under control and that Army troops are slowly moving into the densely populated areas to avoid bloodshed among the civilian population.
8. As for a request by the International Red Cross to call for a cease-fire for humanitarian reasons to treat the wounded and civilian victims, Pacas Castro said that the first-aid brigades continue to do their work in El Salvador.

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9. As for the assassination of the six Jesuits and the two women, he said "he condemned this type of violence" because Ignacio Ellacuria, one of the Jesuit priests who was killed, "was my teacher," and he described the priest as a very valuable man who worked for peace and for the economic and social development of the population.

10. Costa Rican Foreign Minister Rodrigo Madrigal Nieto, in statements to the press, regretted the death of the clergymen. "Working for peace is very difficult," he said.

11. Madrigal Nieto said today he hoped the dialogue between the government and the guerrillas would continue despite the war.

12. Guatemalan Foreign Minister Ariel Rivera Irias supported the statements of his Costa Rican colleague, and he condemned the use of violence as a political tool.

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Headline: Further Reportage on Murder of Jesuit Priests

Source Line: PA1711045189 Panama City ACAN in Spanish 0141 GMT 17 Nov 89

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 16 Nov (ACAN-EFE) -- The opposition Social Christian People's Movement (MPSC) and the National Revolutionary Movement (MNR) today condemned the assassination of six Jesuits in San Salvador, and held the government and the Armed Forces responsible for this crime.
2. The MPSC requested the international community and the diplomatic corps accredited in San Salvador to make "good offices before the Salvadoran Government and Armed Forces" so they "adopt realistic positions and agree to an immediate negotiation of a cease-fire with the guerrillas."
3. The Social Christians stressed that the bloodshed of civilians must cease and that it is necessary to create as soon as possible the necessary conditions to bring peace to El Salvador.
4. The MNR said the assassination of the Jesuits--five Spaniards and a Salvadoran--"seeks to silence and subdue with terror the work of the Central American University," whose rector was Ignacio Ellacuria. "This is not the first time that the Central American University and its most outstanding officials are the object of accusations and verbal and physical aggression by ultrarightist sectors," the social democratic MNR noted.
5. The MNR is "concerned and surprised by the irresponsible and suspicious conduct of the Salvadoran Government and the Armed Forces' High Command of holding the guerrillas responsible for the assassinations, which gives carte blanche to the death squads and to the mass terror of 1980, 1981, and 1982."
6. The highest MNR and MPSC leaders, Guillermo Ungo and Ruben Zamora respectively, sought refuge and are at the Venezuelan and Mexican Embassies accredited in San Salvador.
7. The government and the Armed Forces condemned the assassination of the Jesuits. Moreover, President Alfredo Cristiani said that if it is proven that Armed Forces members are responsible for the crime,

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"the full force of law will be imposed upon them."

8. San Salvador residents are enduring the 6th consecutive day of bloody clashes that began with the Farabundo Marti offensive on 11 November.

9. The death toll is some 1,000 and the conflict seems to intensify each day, as evidenced by the continuous army attacks on the rebels redoubts.

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Headline: Ecumenical Council Condemns Killing of Jesuits

Source Line: FL1811014989 Havana Radio Rebelde Network in Spanish  
0055 GMT 18 Nov 89

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] The Ecumenical Council of Cuba joins in with all international institutions and figures who have voiced their condemnation in repudiating the killing of Ignacio Ellacuria, rector of the Central American University based in El Salvador, Vice Rector Amando Lopez, four Jesuit priests, and two of their employees. In a statement released in Havana today, the Ecumenical Council of Cuba said that it is not difficult to see that the material authors of this terrible crime were instigated by the same people who killed Archbishop Monsignor Arnulfo Romero.

2. OAS Secretary General Joao Baena Soares will arrive in El Salvador tomorrow to attempt to establish a dialogue between the forces in conflict in the Central American nation. Baena Soares stated to the press in Washington that his peace mission was a mandate from the OAS General Assembly in light of the worsening of the war between the ultra-rightist Salvadoran Government and the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front.

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Report Number: FBIS-LAT-89-222  
Classification: UNCLASSIFIED  
Document Date: 19 Nov 89

Report Date:  
Language:

Headline: Cristiani Statement on Murder Investigation

Source Line: PA1911150689 Madrid EFE in Spanish 1312 GMT 19 Nov 89

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 19 Nov (EFE)--Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani stated today that the Armed Forces High Command "does not dismiss" the possibility that those who instigated the assassination of the six Jesuits on 16 November could have been military.
2. "The High Command members do not dismiss the possibility that the perpetrators could be Army members, and are ready to get to the bottom of things so that they will be punished," the Salvadoran president said in statements to EFE and other media.
3. Cristiani, who insisted on the necessity of "not jumping to hasty conclusions," added that "the Armed Forces do not want the institute, per se, to suffer the consequences of what its members do as individuals."
4. On 16 November six Jesuit priests, five of them Spaniards, were assassinated by uniformed men who machinegunned them in their residence that morning, while a rigid curfew was in effect in El Salvador.
5. The Jesuits, who had lived in El Salvador for many years, were staunch critics of the military regimes and of the extreme rightist sectors of the country.
6. According to Cristiani, "the Armed Forces High Command, of which the president is a part, are totally determined to investigate and clear up the assassination of the Jesuits."
7. Interviewed shortly after meeting with Inocencio Arias, Spanish under secretary of foreign relations, Cristiani asked that Spain, the United States, and Great Britain participate in the investigation of the assassination "by sending experts."
8. The Salvadoran president described the attitude of those persons in the United States who have hinted at the possibility of suspending the \$1 million daily aid given to El Salvador as "very simplistic."
9. "I trust that this will not be so and I have information that the large majority of U.S. political leaders do not feel that way," the president added.

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10. Thus far, the autopsies performed on the Jesuits by three U.S. pathologists "are not conclusive in determining guilt," the president added.

11. Cristiani had words of praise for Ignacio Ellacuria, one of the Jesuits killed, "who had become a constructive opposer of the Salvadoran Government," according to him.

12. Salvadoran television, which has been state-controlled since the guerrilla offensive started 1 week ago, carried some clips of Ellacuria in which he requested applause for Cristiani at an event held some months ago in the University of El Salvador.

13. Some Salvadoran rightist sectors have publicly accused the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) guerillas of being behind the Jesuits' killing.

14. Ellacuria told EFE, 4 days before he was killed, that Cristiani represents "the civilian sector" of the ruling ARENA [Nationalist Republican Alliance] Party, in contrast with two others whom he described as "militarists" and "death squad-oriented."

15. "ARENA, per se, has nothing to do with violent incidents," Cristiani said, commenting on Ellacuria's appraisal and adding that "obviously there are violent groups in the country, but they are not known to the government or to ARENA."



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0055 GMT 18 Nov 89

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Report Number: FBIS-LAT-89-224  
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Document Date: 21 Nov 89

AFS Number:  
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Language:

Headline: University Group Condemns Salvadoran Killings

Source Line: FL2111222589 Havana Radio Reloj Network in Spanish  
2035 GMT 21 Nov 89

**FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:**

1. [Text] Havana University professors, workers, and students have repudiated the brutal assassination of priests Ignacio Ellacuria and Ignacio Martin Baro, rector and vice rector of academics, respectively, of the University of El Salvador [as heard], who were killed by the Salvadoran regime. In a declaration issued in Havana, the university group also condemns the assassination of four other priests and one of their employees and her child, who were killed as the gunmen entered the rector's home on university grounds. The communique says that these illustrious Latin Americans have become part of the list of thousands of martyrs who have given their lives for the victory of the people. The university group also called upon other honest universities, professors, and students throughout the world to denounce the monstrous act to which the U.S. Government is an accomplice because of the basic aid it provides to El Salvador.

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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED      Language:  
Document Date: 06 Dec 89

Headline: Church Reports Worsening of Human Rights Abuses

Source Line: PA0612230889 Paris AFP in Spanish 2035 GMT 6 Dec 89

FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 6 Dec (AFP)—The intensification of the civil war in the last month in El Salvador has led to a "dramatic worsening" of human rights violations in this Central American nation, that in the past 10 years has had one of the saddest records in this area, Catholic Church sources said in San Salvador today.

2. The Legal Affairs Office of the San Salvador Archbishopric said that the situation "is so serious that the number of charges" filed on serious human rights violations and reported daily to this church organization cannot be counted.

3. The level of violence against Salvadoran citizens was clearly demonstrated with the massacre of six Jesuit priests, including Ignacio Ellacuria, the rector of the Central American University (UCA), allegedly perpetrated by death squads.

4. "The situation has completely changed our possibilities for exercising some control over the violations," Lawyer Maria Julia Hernandez, director of the Legal Affairs Office of the Archbishopric, told AFP.

5. The official said that almost a month after the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front [FMLN] launched its guerrilla offensive in the capital, "no one, not even the government, knows the number of guerrillas and soldiers killed in the clashes."

6. "We have also confirmed the death of another youth, who was beaten so much at the National Police headquarters he had to be taken to a hospital where he died," the official said.

7. "There have been more cases like these, but we have not been able to keep up with all the cases reported," said Lopez [as received], who also said that "not everyone reports the arrest, disappearance, or death of their relatives for fear of repression."

8. "We are currently living in a climate of fear, the people are afraid they will be arrested, reported, persecuted, or confused with someone else. They only report a case when it is a life or death

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situation, when they believe they can do something about it because if the relative is already dead, the person only becomes concerned about saving his own life," Hernandez said.

9. This week the Armed Forces opened a special office "in charge of hearing the people's reports" on people who are believed to be cooperating with the "FMLN terrorists."

10. The military authorities announce each day, through the media, a list of people, especially labor union and student leaders, who have been summoned to the courts for their alleged cooperation with the FMLN during the recent guerrilla offensive in the capital.

11. The immigration authorities have also announced more strict control over the entry and length of foreigners' stay in the country, including journalists, many of whom are accused of directly or indirectly cooperating with the rebels.

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Language:

Headline: Further Reportage on Jesuit Assassinations

Source Line: PA1312173789 Paris AFP in Spanish 1605 GMT 13 Dec 89

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 13 Dec (APP)--The Society of Jesus reaffirmed that the information available to them concerning the assassination of six Jesuit priests and their two maids on 16 November in San Salvador "continues to point toward members of the Armed Forces."
2. In a communique issued last night in San Salvador, the Jesuits pointed out that information gathered over the past few weeks clearly indicates that "the criminals acted like people under protection."
3. Almost a month ago, Ignacio Ellacuria, rector of the Central American University (UCA), headquartered in San Salvador; five other Jesuit priests; and two maids working for them at their residence were killed by 30 men wearing camouflage military uniforms.
4. The sole witness, Lucia de Cerna, was recently taken to the United States. Monsignor Arturo Rivera y Damas, archbishop of San Salvador, denounced on 10 December that she had been harrassed and pressured by her interrogators.
5. However, [words indistinct] that any Armed Forces member would have killed innocent clergymen and their maids in cold blood.
6. The military man added that the death squads will be investigated, although they "do not really exist because they are a creation of the FMLN [Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front]. In any case, the squads would be made up of FMLN members."
7. To back up his claim concerning the perpetrators of the multiple assassination, Montano pointed out that the Salvadoran insurgency has organized special commando units to kill "personalities, politicians, military men, and officials."
8. However, in its communique the Society of Jesus stated that it has received "excellent" information from the archbishopric's Legal Assistance Office, but it has "received little information about the investigation from those who are conducting it," in reference to official efforts.

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9. In stating that "there is still time to learn the truth," the Society of Jesus said that solving the assassination case "is very important to achieving peace with a minimum of trust in justice."

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Headline: Further Reportage on Jesuit Assassinations

Source Line: PA1412001189 San Salvador LA PRENSA GRAFICA 13 Dec 89  
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## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] Maria Julio Hernandez, director of the Legal Assistance Office of the Archbishopric, is the one who brainwashed the witness of the murder of the six Jesuits and two women.
2. The previous statement was made on 12 December by Colonel Orlando Inocente Montano during a news conference at the Defense Ministry to local and international reporters.
3. The witness of the massacre, Lucia Barrera de Cerna, was taken to the United States where she underwent interrogations by the Federal Bureau of Investigation [FBI].
4. The Salvadoran Government is very interested in the thorough investigations that are being conducted by the Special Scientific Investigation Forces of Spain, the FBI in the U.S., and Scotland Yard of England.
5. According to a Washington dateline item transmitted on 11 December by the UPI news agency, San Salvador Archbishop Monsignor Arturo Rivera y Damas accused the government of having brainwashed Lucia Barrera de Cerna, the only witness in the murder of the six Jesuits and two employees.
6. According to the FBI investigations, the witness has changed her story three times. This was determined by a lie detector test.

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Report Type: Daily Report  
Report Number: FBIS-LAT-89-240  
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Document Date: 15 Dec 89

APS Number:  
Report Date:  
Language:

Headline: Views on Responsibility for Jesuit Killing

Author(s): the Salvadoran Archbishopric's Legal Assistance Office;  
date and place not given]

Source Line: PA1512045989 (Clandestine) Radio Venceremos in Spanish  
to El Salvador 0040 GMT 15 Dec 89

Subslug: ['Statement' reportedly issued by the Salvadoran  
Archbishopric's Legal Assistance Office; date and place  
not given]

**FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:**

1. ['Statement' reportedly issued by the Salvadoran Archbishopric's Legal Assistance Office; date and place not given]
2. [Text] After an exhaustive investigation, the Salvadoran Archbishopric Legal Assistance Office issues the following statement regarding the massacre of the six Jesuit priests:
  3. The operation carried out to murder the six Jesuit priests and the two maids lasted longer than 1 hour. During all that time, the perpetrators fired their weapons and set off explosives. This was proved by the many shell casings found near the Jesuit residence. The witness' statements also confirmed that the weapons were fired over a long period of time. The number of individuals who committed the crime was large. They were wearing Army uniforms. The witness saw approximately five individuals in uniform. The witness saw the men. She also heard the shooting, the closing of doors, and the breaking of glass in various parts of the facilities. The witness said that five individuals entered the servants' entrance of the Jesuit residence. Other individuals entered the residence by the door in the northwestern end of the building, the area where the priests have their rooms. Another group entered the Jesuit Center, searched it, and burned it with sophisticated weapons such as flamethrowers.
  4. 3. [No numbers 1 and 2 as heard] Salvadoran Military Intelligence, the perpetrators, knew the Jesuit center and residence. In other words, they knew the UCA [Central American University] facilities. On Monday, 13 November, individuals wearing Army uniforms specifically searched the Jesuit center and residence.
  5. 4. The scene of the crime is located inside an Army control and

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security area since the Armed Forces Joint Chiefs of Staff is located in that same general area. The Army maintains permanent military surveillance posts at the Democracia Building, the Manuel Jose Arce military neighborhood, the northern UCA entrance, the various UCA schools, and at La Ceiba de Guadalupe and Jardines de Guadalupe neighborhoods. All those areas are well guarded by soldiers.

6. 5. Despite the evident and verifiable militarization of the area where the crime took place--the curfew, the extended and heavy firing inside the UCA premises, the detonation of explosives for an extended period of time during which the perpetrators remained inside the Jesuit facilities--the Armed Forces did not react as they would have had this operation been carried out by the FMLN [Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front]. This delay gave the perpetrators time to search the Jesuit priests' rooms, kill them along with the other two victims, and search and burn the Jesuit Center church, thus proving the size of the operation. This indicates that the soldiers in charge of security in the Manuel Jose Arce military neighborhood and the Armed Forces Joint Chiefs of Staff installations were aware of the operation being carried out.

7. Therefore, the Archbishopric's Legal Assistance Office concludes that all the evidence indicates that military personnel of the Salvadoran Armed Forces are responsible for the murder of the six Jesuit priests and the two maids.

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Report Number: FBIS-LAT-89-242 Report Date:  
Classification: UNCLASSIFIED Language:  
Document Date: 12 Dec 89

Headline: Many Organizations Leaderless Because of Fighting

Source Line: PA1912031089 Panama City ACAN in Spanish 1507 GMT 12  
Dec 89

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 12 Dec (ACAN - EFE)--Many political, union, university, religious, and civic organizations have been "beheaded" by the offensive launched by the Salvadoran guerrillas a month ago, by the Army's response to the offensive, and by extremist groups' retaliatory actions.
2. These organizations--most of which actively favored a political solution to the Salvadoran war--have been left without main leaders because, according to party members and supporters, they have been killed, forced to hide or leave the country for "security reasons"
3. The Jesuit Central American University's (UCA) main leaders were murdered. According to religious organization sources, approximately 50 priests--Salvadoran and foreigners--have left the country because they felt "persecuted" by the Army which links them to the guerrillas.
4. The editorial of the 15 December edition of PROCESO--a UCA weekly publication--asserts that the murder of the six Jesuits on UCA premises on 16 November, occurred at the same time when several churches and union headquarters were being searched by "people in uniforms."
5. PROCESO maintains that "apparently, they wanted to strike one single blow and behead every organization labeled by government propaganda as an FMLN [Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front] facade."
6. However, Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani said before he left to attend a Central American presidential summit in Costa Rica, that his government does not persecute religious leaders.
7. Three days after the guerrillas started their largest offensive in the decade--on 14 November--Guillermo Ungo and Hector Oqueli, the main leftist opposition leaders, left El Salvador, saying that they had received death threats in messages broadcast over the government's radio network.

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8. Leaders of the General Confederation of Workers (CGT)--which is linked to the Christian Democratic Party--have reported that they are being persecuted and blame the Army and the guerrillas for "violating human rights."

9. CGT Leader Jose Luis Grande Preza asserted that "to recuperate and maintain their privileges, the extreme rightists have unscrupulously turned the Army against its own people and generated repression and persecution against the church, the opposition, and union movements."

10. Before leaving for Guatemala to obtain support for a cease-fire in El Salvador, Grande Preza said the guerrillas "violate human rights in the name of revolution" and that "each side justifies its violence, but the only truth is that the people always end up burying the dead."

11. Ludovico Samayoa, deputy of the main opposition Christian Democratic Party [PDC], asserted that two PDC municipal officials in Ilobasco had been arrested by Army members in the past few days. Ilobasco is located 60 km northeast of San Salvador.

12. "The government has initiated a generalized repression to dismantle the party and frighten our members with these arrests," said Samayoa.

13. Human Rights Commission Coordinator Miguel Montenegro said that his office, as well as other offices of organizations that oppose the government, "were searched and destroyed by bombs" in the eastern city of San Miguel.

14. Ignacio Ellacuria, one of the six Jesuits murdered on 16 November, founder of PROCESO and UCA director, had noted a few months before his death that "the Salvadoran political process had entered a new phase of moderation and flexibility with the increase of political spaces."

15. In contrast the editorial that appears in the next edition of PROCESO stresses: "It is the hour of the long knives. The maelstrom of blood that has come upon the country in the past month has shred to pieces the phase of moderation in which the main participants of the Salvadoran political process had been involved."

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Headline: List Provided of Soldiers Near UCA Killings

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**PULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:**

1. [Text] San Salvador, 4 Jan (ACAN-EFE)--Colonel Rene Emilio Ponce, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the Salvadoran Armed Forces, has provided the list of soldiers, who were in service near the Central American University when six Jesuit priests were assassinated, to a Salvadoran court.

2. Judicial sources today said this list is included in a sworn statement that Col. Ponce gave to the San Salvador Fourth Criminal Court. The contents of the statement have not been released.

3. The court is investigating the murder early on 16 December of one Salvadoran and five Spanish Jesuits at their residence at the UCA, when an all night curfew was in force in El Salvador.

4. Official sources have indicated that the statement is in response to the Catholic Church charging that "members of the Armed Forces are suspected of having participated in the death of the priests."

5. Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani said on 2 January that the investigation into the priests' assassination, including UCA Rector Ignacio Ellacuria, is now "almost totally focused inside the Armed Forces."

6. Judicial sources said today that Fidel Chavez Mena, secretary general of the Christian Democratic Party (PDC), will also be called to testify as a witness at the request of the prosecutors involved in the case.

7. According to a judicial source, the prosecutors have also asked Gregorio Rosa Chavez, auxiliary bishop of San Salvador, to send his sworn statement, also as a witness, concerning the murder of the priests.

8. It was reported that the request for statements from the opposition political leader and the auxiliary bishop is a result of their remarks on the individuals presumably implicated in the crime.

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Headline: Cristiani Notes Progress on Jesuits' Killing

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## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 2 Jan (EFE)—Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani today declared that the investigation into the killing of the six Jesuits last 16 November "is now directed within the Armed Forces."
2. Cristiani said that cartridges are being analyzed, ballistic tests are being made, and soldiers who were on duty near the Central American University (UCA) where the Jesuits were killed that morning while an overnight curfew was in effect in El Salvador, are being subjected to interrogation.
3. The six Jesuits—five Spaniards and one Salvadoran—who worked for the UCA, were assassinated, together with two women (mother and daughter) who were employed by the Jesuits.
4. The Salvadoran president said that a guerrilla captured by the Armed Forces blamed the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) for this assassination, but that later evidence obtained "caused this version to be dismissed."
5. Cristiani declared during a news conference today that the best testimony on the progress of the investigation can be given by two inspectors sent by the Spanish Government to investigate the case who he spoke to before they returned to their country.
6. A spokesman for the Spanish Embassy told EFE today that the conclusions reached by the investigators will be disclosed in Madrid and not in El Salvador, although he did not say when.
7. "They told me that they had analyzed the work by the investigating commission (appointed by the government) and could see that they were carrying out a sound investigation, which covered different aspects," he stated.

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8. Cristiani said that the investigating commission had also explained the progress of the investigation to the Company of Jesus and "they were quite satisfied."

9. Catholic Church and Jesuit sectors have blamed "elements" of the Armed Forces for this multiple assassination, although they have ruled out that the crime corresponded to an official decision by the Armed Forces.

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Headline: Ponce Admits Soldiers Held on Jesuit Killings

Source Line: PA0801194090 Panama City ACAN in Spanish 1802 GMT 8 Jan 90

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 8 Jan (ACAN-EFE)—Colonel Rene Emilio Ponce, chief of the Salvadoan Armed Forces' General Staff, has admitted that 2 officers and 45 soldiers of an elite battalion are "being held in various garrisons of San Salvador" while investigations into the killing of the six Jesuits continue.

2. According to Ponce, these officers and soldiers of the Atlacatl Battalion were placed at the disposition of the Crimes Investigative Commission, which is studying the case of the Jesuits who were shot to death on 16 November.

3. Spanish, British, French, and Canadian police agents have participated in these investigations.

4. These Salvadoran soldiers had searched the Jesuits' residence 2 days before the killing, Ponce told the media today without giving much detail.

5. However, diplomatic sources stated that the soldiers will be "confined" to their respective garrisons and added that they include "five officers."

6. Francisco Estrada, a Salvadoran priest who was appointed new rector of the Central American University (UCA), said that "the president's announcement that members of the Armed Forces committed this crime, is an important step very seldom taken in this country." However, this "matter is not over yet."

7. "What would really be new is for him to say who did it, instead of just saying that it was the Armed Forces," the priest told ACAN-EFE and added that he trusts in the "goodwill and ethics" of President Alfredo Cristiani.

8. Every source consulted with by ACAN-EFE, whether diplomatic or religious, agreed to say that now it is important for Cristiani to take one step further and mention the names of the people involved in this murder carried out at UCA.

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9. Two domestic servants (a mother and a daughter) were killed together with the clergymen, five Spaniards, including UCA Rector Ignacio Ellacuria, and a Salvadoran.
10. The U.S. Embassy in El Salvador also congratulated Cristiani today for his efforts to clarify the assassination, as U.S. congressmen and officials of the George Bush administration had asked.
11. In fact, diplomatic sources commented to ACAN-EFE that beginning on 22 January, the U.S. Congress is to discuss a new \$90 million package of economic and military aid to El Salvador that might hinge on the status of the investigations.
12. The United States has given over \$3 billion in military and economic aid to El Salvador over the past decade, and at present it is giving about \$1.4 million daily, according to Salvadoran political sources.
13. UCA rector Francisco Estrada said that Cristiani could take this step because "he is confident that he can control any internal resentment within his government and the Armed Forces."
14. A similar opinion was expressed by a European diplomat, who told ACAN-EFE that Cristiani is taking a great risk by accusing members of the Armed Forces of this crime. He added: "If he has done this, it is because he feels very confident."
15. Observers compare the investigation being carried out by the present rightist government to one carried out by the government of Jose Napoleon Duarte, a Christian Democrat, into the 1980 murder of Salvadoran Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero.
16. Duarte, who turned over power to Cristiani on 1 June 1989, on several occasions attributed the murder of Archbishop Romero to Roberto D'Aubuisson, a present deputy and leader of the ruling Nationalist Republican Alliance, but the investigations never led to any concrete results.

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Author(s): Alessandro Oppes; date and place not given]

Headline: Cristiani Names Army Suspects in Jesuit Murders

Source Line: PM1601104690 Rome LA REPUBBLICA in Italian 11 Jan 90 p  
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Subslug: [Interview with Democratic Convergence leader Ruben Zamora  
 by Alessandro Oppes; date and place not given]

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Interview with Democratic Convergence leader Ruben Zamora by  
 Alessandro Oppes; date and place not given]

2. [Excerpt] Rome--[passage omitted] [Oppes] The Farabundo Marti  
 National Liberation Front [FMLN] has described the arrest of five  
 soldiers accused of committing the massacre [of six Jesuit priest] as  
 "a manipulated cover operation." Basically, Cristiani is alleged to  
 have decided to punish a number of low-ranking officers to close the  
 case as quickly as possible and to end international pressures. What  
 is your opinion in this regard?

3. [Zamora] The fact that President Cristiani acknowledges that  
 members of the Army were responsible for the massacre is a first step  
 and definitely a good thing, but it is entirely insufficient unless  
 the subsequent steps are also taken. First, to identify who the  
 responsible parties were: This is the first important point, because  
 nobody can feel satisfied if only low-ranking officers are  
 identified. Such an act can only have been ordered by high-ranking  
 officers. We must not forget the murder of Monsignor Romero, for  
 which there were no sentences and no trials.

4. [Oppes] However, the Armed Forces High Command immediately denied  
 involvement in the operation, stating that it was an isolated action  
 "divorced from any institutional policy."

5. [Zamora] I believe this is entirely wrong: The murder of the  
 Jesuit fathers cannot be considered an isolated action. Over 7,000  
 people have died in El Salvador during 10 years of civil war, and 90  
 percent of them were civilians. Political assassination by the  
 government forces is a constant practice. Furthermore, torture is  
 regularly practised in El Salvador. The Army High Command cannot fail  
 to know this. They cannot claim to be innocent, because they have the

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greatest responsibilities for human rights violations.

6. [Oppes] Yet last month the summit of Central American heads of state in San Jose ended with a success for President Cristiani, who secured an explicit condemnation of the offensive launched by the guerrillas in November, whereas no specific charges were leveled at the government for human rights violations.

7. [Zamora] There is a positive factor that should be borne in mind, namely, the call from the five presidents for a resumption of the dialogue in El Salvador and the appeal to the UN secretary general to carry out mediation to this end. But in the summit's final document, it is the FMLN and the Nicaraguan contras who pay the price for the agreement among the presidents: These are diplomatic games that do not facilitate the restoration of peace in Central America.

8. [Oppes] What paths can be taken now to advance the negotiations?

9. [Zamora] Negotiations are becoming increasingly necessary. The guerrilla offensive shows that the FMLN is a strong military force, but also that a revolutionary attitude does not exist among the masses. It also shows that the government army, after 10 years of U.S. training, is an army whose military stance is defensive, not offensive (which is the key to U.S. military strategy.) While this all shows that there can only be a negotiated solution to the crisis, it is also true that precisely following the guerrilla offensive (and this is the paradox) the Army stiffened its stance against negotiations. I believe that sooner or later common sense will prevail and it will sit down at the negotiating table. At the end of November the U.S. secretary of state's assistant for Latin America spoke officially for the first time about the need for negotiations to resolve the crisis in El Salvador: This is an important sign of a changing situation.

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Headline: President Cristiani Postpones Trip to U.S.

Source Line: PA1501234690 Panama City ACAN in Spanish 2213 GMT 15  
Jan 90

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] San Salvador, 15 Jan (ACAN-EFE)--Salvadoran President Alfredo Cristiani today postponed his trip to the United States, which was scheduled for 16-23 January, until later this month, according to an announcement today by Information Secretary Mauricio Sandoval.
2. The presidential spokesman explained that the postponement of Cristiani's trip is due to the president's interest in meeting with UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar to request that Perez de Cuellar act as mediator to achieve the resumption of dialogue with the Salvadoran guerrillas.
3. "We have received information from New York to the effect that Perez de Cuellar will not be available on the dates initially set for the trip, thus, Cristiani's visit has been postponed, Sandoval said.
4. According to Sandoval, Cristiani will meet with Perez de Cuellar on 31 January, after which he will go to Washington in early February to meet with U.S. President George Bush.
5. Sandoval denied that the postponement of Cristiani's trip is related to possible reaction to the arrest of eight members of the Army, including four officers, on charges of being implicated in the murder of six Jesuit priests and two employees.
6. "There is no relation, because the case of the Jesuits is being resolved," the spokesman said.
7. Sandoval also denied that postponement of the trip is linked to the assassination of Hector Oqueli, a Salvadoran leader of the Socialist International, 3 days ago in Guatemala.
8. After learning of Oqueli's assassination, the guerrillas announced that they will "revise" their offer to resume the dialogue with the government. However, the presidential spokesman indicated that the guerrillas have sent no official note explaining the revision.

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 Report Type: Daily Report Report Date:  
 Report Number: FBIS-LAT-90-021 UDC Number:

Headline: Rivera y Damas Reports New Death Threats

Source Line: PA3001165490 San Salvador DIARIO LATINO in Spanish 22  
 Jan 90 p 6

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] Salvadoran Archbishop Arturo Rivera y Damas has again reported that he has received death threats through his secretaries or the archbishopric's cooks, "but, in this regard, I feel reassured and I am in God's hands," the pastor said.
2. Nevertheless, he acknowledged that the persecution against the church in general has decreased, although this does not mean it has disappeared. He recalled that many priests have died in the last 10 years, including an archbishop, "but martyrs' blood is Christians' seed," Rivera y Damas said.
3. The archbishop said that he received many complaints because of the church's stance on the Jesuits' assassination, but today "everyone knows that the archbishopric was right in pointing out where it believed the assassins were located. This assumption was confirmed by President Cristiani who, in keeping his promise to carry out a thorough investigation, has earned the world's recognition."
4. In another part of his homily, he stated: "Being a bishop of a nation that has suffered the scourge of a fratricidal war for 10 years implies having mercy for human suffering above and beyond political, economic, and ideological considerations; and that is a commitment we cannot give up."
5. The archbishop said that one of the church's most important events this week is the episcopal conference of El Salvador, which concluded with an appeal for peace; and the arraignment of the military officers accused of the Jesuits' death.
6. The meeting was held with special interest, particularly as it was revealed that the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front (FMLN) sent a letter to the bishops asking for the church's mediation in its efforts to renew the dialogue.
7. "I believe that Cristiani's meeting with the UN secretary general and the FMLN's meeting with the same official are important," Msgr. Rivera y Damas said. He insisted: "We have to end

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this war in a rational way, through a dialogue, before the war ends us.''

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 Report Number: FBIS-LAT-90-026      UDC Number:

Headline: Joint Chiefs Chairman Ponce Interviewed

Source Line: PA0702032290 San Salvador DIARIO DE HOY in Spanish 25  
 Jan 90 p 2

## FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:

1. [Text] The Armed Forces are "more united than ever" and are silently observing the proceedings against nine military men involved in the assassination of the Jesuits, to rule out any public doubts by those who might want to manipulate the enforcement of justice, Colonel Rene Emilio Ponce, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff has said.
2. During his first interview this year, the high-ranking military officer said Marxist subversives have taken advantage of the killing of the Jesuits and their two maids in an attempt to divide and discredit the Army.
3. "The Armed Forces are aware of this and are more united than ever," the Colonel said, adding that he was "very impressed" last week when he confirmed this unity during a recent meeting with over 150 Army chiefs and officers.
4. A colonel, three other officers, two noncommissioned officers, and two soldiers were arrested following orders by a judge conducting an investigation on the assassination of the Jesuits perpetrated at daybreak on 16 November at the Central American University (UCA).
5. The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff said the Armed Forces have maintained a silence in this regard so as not to interfere with the investigations, because any statements could be interpreted as pressure.
6. Ponce added that the Armed Forces have fulfilled their duty in sending the military men involved to the judicial authorities. However, he noted, "no one is guilty until it can be proven."
7. Reporters reminded the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that, within the overall condemnation resulting from the killing of the Jesuits, and Dr. Hector Oqueli Colindres' assassination in Guatemala, groups have been organized and are demanding investigations and the enforcement of the law against those who turn out to be involved. However, these same groups have forgotten crimes

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such as the assassination of Dr. Francisco Peccorini, Dr. Roberto Garcia Alvarado, Dr. Antonio Rodriguez Porth, Edgar Chacon, Gabriel Payes, Dr. Jose Francisco Guerrero, and recently, the attack against engineer Jose Hernandez, who is about to die.

8. The reporters added that in these cases, there have been no socialist or religious groups demanding the execution of the criminals, no homilies on the occasion of their death, and neither the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Scotland Yard, nor the Spanish police have been called in to investigate the crimes.

9. Col. Ponce said he agrees with the reporters. He reminded them that hundreds of thousands of military men have been killed by the left wing, yet no one has said anything. However, when others are killed, be they from a religious or a political group, the first thing people do is blame the Armed Forces or the so-called "death squads," or try to intentionally link these groups with the Army, and forget the FMLN-FDR [Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front-Democratic Revolutionary Front] terrorist death squads trained in Cuba, Nicaragua, Vietnam, and Algeria.

10. In view of the reporters' comments, Ponce explained that the relations between Catholic leaders and the Armed Forces are "very cordial." He added that he has held several meetings with leaders from the Salvadoran Episcopal Conference in which the two parties have expressed their viewpoints regarding the crimes perpetrated by FMLN-FDR criminals.

11. Ponce disclosed that terrorist groups are planning to attack several sectors in southwest and northeast San Salvador between the last week of January and 10 February.

12. He added that Military Intelligence has learned that the FMLN intends to attack the zone of Finca El Espino, Santa Tecla, Zaragoza Huizucar, Ayutuxtepeque, Soyapango, and other sectors where coffee plantations are located.

13. During the criminal offensive unleashed by the FMLN-FDR on 11 November in 1989, bloody clashes occurred at the places mentioned.

14. According to Ponce, the FMLN leadership intends to carry out the attacks at the same time the Nicaraguan presidential elections are being held. "They want to be noticed and to show their sponsors abroad that they are still alive and have strength, but we are prepared," Ponce emphasized.

15. Ponce maintained that "aid from the Nicaraguan and Cuban regimes still continues arriving for the FMLN-FDR terrorists, but

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Military Intelligence is working to locate the places where the aid arrives."

16. Asked about the guilt of U.S. citizen Jennifer Casolo, who was released by a judge "because of lack of evidence," the high-ranking military officer said the Armed Forces simply follow orders issued by civilian authorities.

17. "During the investigations conducted to determine the guilt or innocence of Casolo, the National Police gathered all of the evidence and sent it to the court, which afterwards ordered the release of Casolo," Ponce added.

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Headline: Communique Issued on Killings in El Salvador

Source Line: PA1611162789 Madrid EFE in Spanish 1536 GMT 16 Nov 89

**FULL TEXT OF ARTICLE:**

1. [Text] Madrid, 16 Nov (EFE)--The Spanish Government, through the Foreign Affairs Ministry, today expressed "consternation" over the "horrendous murder" of six Jesuit priests and two women in San Salvador today.
2. In an official communique "The Diplomatic Press Office expresses the Spanish Government's consternation over these horrendous murders, which casts shame on those who instigated, encouraged, and committed them."
3. The communique continues: "The Spanish Government, through the Foreign Affairs Ministry, has asked the Government of the Republic of El Salvador to conduct a thorough investigation into the incident."
4. The communique adds: "This escalation of violence demonstrates once again the need for an immediate cease-fire and the prompt initiation of serious negotiations to end so much suffering in that fraternal country."
5. The official Spanish Government communique was referring to the massacre perpetrated early this morning at the Central American University in El Salvador. According to the Salvadoran Curia, 30 men in uniform murdered six Jesuit priests and two women who were asleep in a residence next to the University grounds.

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Government Investigation of Killings in El Salvador

1. President Alfredo Cristiani--highly sensitive to international criticism of human rights abuses in El Salvador--has promised to punish the killers of the six Jesuits on 16 November even if they turn out to be members of his party or the armed forces. The government has launched an investigation with the help of British, Spanish, and US law enforcement agencies. Nevertheless, the eventual prosecution of those deemed culpable--especially if they are powerful politicians or high-ranking military officials--could be hindered by the cumbersome judicial process, idiosyncrasies of Salvadoran rules of evidence, and the vulnerability of judges to bribery or intimidation.

2. There is currently only circumstantial evidence implicating Roberto D'Aubuisson in the murder of the Jesuits, but we believe at a minimum that his exhortation concerning the priests could have spurred rightwing extremists to commit the crime. We believe that Cristiani would be willing to move against D'Aubuisson only if irrefutable evidence is developed against him. Were a solid, compelling case to be built, Cristiani might support a swift prosecution if he had the backing of key ARENA moderates. Likewise, the military leadership--which recently has investigated officers for abuses--may back quick action against D'Aubuisson or armed forces members if the investigation definitively points to their guilt. The President, his party, and the military, however, almost certainly would resist any calls from opposition leaders or from abroad to take any extra-judicial action--such as by putting D'Aubuisson under house arrest or ousting him from his seat in the Legislative Assembly.

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3. Cristiani would face serious repercussions in the ARENA party or the military especially if he moved against D'Aubuisson or others in the absence of a strong legal case. Although hardliners represent an increasingly isolated faction of ARENA, we believe D'Aubuisson remains the most popular figure in the party and ARENA members would probably try to protect him. Given the strong nationalist streak in ARENA, in the military, and among Salvadorans in general, some of whom are critical of what they view as US meddling in their affairs, there could be a strong backlash against Cristiani if he is perceived to be sacrificing D'Aubuisson to US pressure. A precipitous action by Cristiani--especially if backed by moderate Chief of Staff Rene Ponce--also could strengthen the hand of hardliners and lead them to renew their efforts to block Ponce's expected promotion to Defense Minister next month in favor of their preferred candidate, General Rafael Bustillo.

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27 November 1989

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: The Situation in El Salvador

1. The recent Salvadoran insurgent offensive failed to meet the guerrillas' military and political objectives, although the rebels did succeed in projecting an image of military viability. Despite claims that the offensive was designed only to pressure the government into negotiations, it appears that the rebels saw the operation as an opportunity to spark a national insurrection and seize political power. The Salvadoran Armed Forces are pleased with their success in brunting the offensive, but the government stands to lose credibility if it does not prosecute the killers of six Jesuit priests. No one has yet to be charged with the killings. We expect the guerrillas to maintain military pressure on the government through assassinations, hit-and-run attacks, and sabotage of economic targets. With worldwide attention focused on El Salvador, the rebels probably will portray their more routine military activities as a continuation of their recent offensive.

2. The apparent Sandinista shipment of anti-aircraft missiles this weekend to the Salvadoran rebels represents an escalation of Nicaraguan--and probably Cuban--support to the insurgents. The weapons discovered Saturday in the aircraft wreckage--including 24 SA-7s--represent a significant leap in the technology available to the Salvadoran rebels. We believe the missiles will be used primarily against the Salvadoran Air Force, but the potential hazards to civil aviation cannot be dismissed. If the rebels possess large quantities of SA-7s, they may be able to operate in larger groups, as they did routinely earlier in the war, and more effectively threaten major military targets.

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22 January 1990

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Update on Jesuit Killings

1. The Salvadoran Government on 12 January arrested nine soldiers, including Colonel Guillermo Benavides,\* for the murder of six Jesuit priests and two church workers at the University of Central America (UCA) last November. The arrests culminated a broad investigation authorized by President Alfredo Cristiani that enlisted technical help from the US, Scotland Yard, and the Spanish Government. Progress initially was hindered by poor coordination among the US-trained Special Investigative Unit (SIU), the Attorney General's office, and other groups participating in the process, as well as conflicting testimony from witnesses.

2. Ballistics tests and statements by military personnel, however, eventually implicated the suspects, all members of the Army's Atlacatl Battalion. Benavides was commander of the Military School where part of the Atlacatl was assigned. He had operational control over the university area the night of the killings. The other soldiers arrested are:

1. Lt. Yushy Rene MENDOZA Vallecios
2. Lt. Jose Ricardo ESPINOZA Guerra
3. Sub. Lt. Gonzalo GUEVARRA Cerritos
4. Sub. Lt. Antonio Ramiro AVALOS Vargas
5. Sub. Lt. Tomas ZAPATE Castillo
6. Cpl. Angel PEREZ Vasquez
7. Pvt. Oscar Armando AMAYA Gremaldi
8. Pvt. Jorge Alberto SIERRA Asencio (deserted in late December, current whereabouts unknown)

\* Colonel Benavides, a Tandon member, has been criticized for his less than aggressive posture against the insurgents as commander of the Belloso Immediate Reaction Battalion in 1986; during the early 1980s, while serving in Morazan Department, he earned a reputation as an abuser of human rights.

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3. The biggest break in the case came when investigators and military leaders learned that Col. Benavides had admitted privately to SIU director Lt. Colonel Rivas that he was responsible for the killings. [REDACTED] On 2 January, [REDACTED] told the US Milgroup commander that the Army's C-5, [REDACTED] had told him of Col. Benavides's alleged statements on 20 December. The [REDACTED] then passed the information to Army Chief of Staff Colonel Ponce, Defense Minister General Larios, and President Cristiani. [REDACTED]

4. Despite his [REDACTED] private admission, Benavides thus far has denied his role in the crime. [REDACTED] investigation, Benavides instructed the Atlacatl Battalion to "break" the leftist leadership at UCA. The Salvadoran Government believes members of the battalion, who had searched the UCA campus two days before, reentered the compound on 16 November, shot the priests, and returned to the military school where Lt. Espinoza--who allegedly gave the order to shoot--reported completion of the "mission" to Col. Benavides. [REDACTED] the government investigation, Benavides did not report this action to the High Command and lied to SIU investigators about his troop deployments the night of the 16th. As far as we know, the government investigation has not uncovered any links between Benavides and ARENA leader Roberto D'Aubuisson, who [REDACTED] vilified [REDACTED] the slain priests in a meeting with close associates only hours before the murders) [REDACTED]

5. The process of turning over evidence in the case to a civilian court began on 16 January. The court ruled on 19 January that there is sufficient evidence to detain the nine suspects and move forward with criminal proceedings. The suspects may now request bail as the case moves toward the trial stage. According to Salvadoran law, a soldier must first be cashiered from the Armed Forces before he can be tried for a crime such as murder. We cannot confirm that any of the nine has yet been cashiered. [REDACTED]

#### Armed Forces Reaction

6. [REDACTED] indicates that despite some grumbling, Salvadoran military personnel largely support the investigation. Most officers realize that US military aid and the reputation of the Armed Forces are at stake and, therefore, hope for a quick resolution to the killings even if Army officers are implicated. Chief of Staff Ponce and



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members of the High Command have cooperated with all requests for information. [REDACTED] Many junior officers, [REDACTED] accept the necessity of bringing some of their own to justice if solid evidence points to their involvement and as long as senior officers are not protected. Some may take pleasure in Col. Benavides going to trial, given their resentment of the domination of key military posts by Tandon members and their desire to remove perceived ineffective or corrupt leaders. [REDACTED]

7. Despite overall military support for the investigation, [REDACTED] that morale could decline as a result of growing outside scrutiny, criticism, and pressure to punish military personnel even before the investigation and criminal proceedings are completed. The military's sense that it is under a microscope is adding to anxieties caused by the recent FMLN offensive and pending changes in military assignments. Many officers could become resentful if they perceive the investigation and arrests were carried out only to appease Washington. Junior officer support for the process could also decline if they come to believe that senior officers implicated in the killings will go unpunished, as in the past. However, Cristiani and military leaders, [REDACTED] probably can temper such reaction by meeting regularly with officers to explain the legal proceedings and address their concerns. [REDACTED]

#### Other Reaction

8. The highly publicized investigation and Cristiani's announcement of the arrests of military suspects have been well received by domestic and international groups keenly focused on the Jesuit case. Catholic Church leaders and opposition parties cited the arrests as a significant first step, but are demanding that those responsible for the slayings be punished and that the government work to prevent future abuses. Jesuit leaders in Spain--most Jesuits in El Salvador are Spanish--gave cautious praise for the investigation and arrests but also insist upon a conviction in the case before they can be convinced of the Salvadoran Government's commitment to human rights. [REDACTED]

9. The guerrillas, who have accrued significant propaganda points from the Jesuit killings, immediately claimed that those arrested are merely scapegoats for systemic government and military abuses. Regardless of how the case proceeds, the FMLN almost certainly will continue to charge that Cristiani is controlled by the military and is assisting with a "cover-up" of

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wider military involvement in the killings. The guerrillas probably calculate that these allegations, along with their repeated calls for deep purges of the Armed Forces, will foment tensions between military and civilian leaders and within the Armed Forces. [REDACTED]

The Government's Next Steps

10. Despite progress thus far, several hurdles remain which could drag out the legal proceedings and delay a quick resolution. Foremost among them is the poor quality of civilian justices who often are easily intimidated, bribed, and subjected to political pressures in such controversial cases. Several judges have been murdered in the past. No senior officer has ever been tried or sentenced in a human rights case in El Salvador, adding even more pressure on the civilian judge. Although the government has tried to ensure a thorough and technically sound investigation, El Salvador's rules of evidence are archaic at best and there is no guarantee of a conviction. With the case now in the courts, Cristiani almost certainly will work behind the scenes to try to ensure that the suspects are not released on minor technicalities. [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: El Salvador: Update on Jesuit Killings #2

1. The suspects in the Jesuit case, including six officers and two enlisted men, remain in custody, while a third enlisted man who deserted in December is still at large. The judge in the case, Ricardo Zamora, on 29 January denied a defense motion to release the suspects for lack of evidence. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] no new evidence has come to light in the case. [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED] that Judge Zamora believes he will need all the allotted time--120 days--to build a strong evidential base and move the case to the trial stage. This would delay the start of the trial until late May. In a probable attempt to clear up much of the conflicting testimony given thus far by alleged witnesses, the judge has ordered that other potential witnesses be brought before the court to testify. The military-civilian Honor Commission appointed by President Cristiani has yet to turn its findings over to the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) or to Judge Zamora. [REDACTED]

3. Prospects are problematic for bringing to trial Colonel Benavides--the senior ranking officer in custody who [REDACTED] issued the order to kill the Jesuits. Salvadoran law prohibits testimony by accomplices [REDACTED] and thus far only the officers under arrest have implicated Benavides. The US Embassy reports that the Attorney General is exploring options to overcome this legal hurdle. One option [REDACTED] under consideration is to drop charges against one of the least culpable suspects in order to allow his testimony against Benavides in court. Unless some solution is found, this complication eventually could lead to the release of Benavides. [REDACTED]

4. In a related development, Benavides was removed from his post as Commander of the Military School as part of general command changes announced on 1 February. He has not, however, been discharged from the military, a move which must occur before he or the other soldiers can be tried in a civilian court. US

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Embassy reporting indicates that the Army High Command almost certainly will cashier the soldiers, but probably will wait until the trial is ready to begin. [REDACTED]

5. Judge Zamora appears to be qualified to oversee the proceedings, but his various associations with Jesuits could provoke charges by the defense and others that he is biased.

[REDACTED] Zamora was trained at a Jesuit University in Spain and is an instructor at the University of Central America (UCA)--where the Jesuits were slain. Although these credentials could boost the judge's credibility, Zamora's relationship with the Jesuits also could impugn his impartiality in the eyes of some Salvadorans, especially those in the military who believe the government is looking for scapegoats to resolve the killings. [REDACTED]

6. Judge Zamora apparently is concerned about withstanding pressures that often come to the fore in politically sensitive cases. Although Zamora has not cited any specific threats, he has inquired about security provisions for him and his family in meetings with [REDACTED] that he was particularly interested in US residency. [REDACTED]

#### Military Reaction

7. [REDACTED] indicate that the military still generally supports the ongoing investigation and the arrests, in contrast to [REDACTED] that the case has sharply divided the military. Many officers, while they believe Benavides is guilty, have expressed doubt that there is sufficient evidence to convict him. Some senior officers are likely to be unhappy--and may blame pressure from Washington--if Salvadoran rules of justice are circumvented to put Benavides on trial. Junior officers, however, will be particularly resentful if only lieutenants are held responsible. [REDACTED]



27 February 1990

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: El Salvador: Update #3 on Jesuit Killings

1. The investigation and preparation of the government's case against nine Army personnel charged with the murders continued, but there were few new developments. The government's Special Investigations Unit (SIU) has requested that the Army High Command order those senior officers who attended a meeting at the National Intelligence Directorate early on 16 November to be available for interrogation. In addition, a possible witness--a man who claims to have been in the night watchman's house near the Jesuit residence on the night of the murders--has been in contact with [REDACTED] and as of 16 February was writing down his recollections. [REDACTED]

2. The SIU briefed ten presidents of US Jesuit universities, as well as the CODEL led by Congressman Moakley, on the investigation. All appeared satisfied with the SIU's professionalism, although the CODEL suggested that SIU chief Lieutenant Colonel Rivas be polygraphed to "clear the air" of any allegations of a cover-up. [REDACTED] Colonel Benavides confessed in private to Rivas to having ordered the murders. [REDACTED]

3. Except for one deserter, the Army personnel charged in the case remain in military custody. According to Salvadoran law, they must be cashiered from the military before they can be turned over to civilian authorities. [REDACTED] Colonel Benavides is living in comfortable quarters and frequently entertains colleagues who visit to discuss the case. Benavides also allegedly has been permitted to travel to a coastal resort owned by the armed forces. [REDACTED]

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15 March 1990

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: El Salvador: Update on Jesuit Killings, #4

1. The investigation of the Jesuit killings slowed in recent weeks, with Judge Zamora and the prosecutors not aggressively collecting and evaluating evidence against the nine suspects. [REDACTED] indicates that Zamora was reluctant to petition the Honor Commission for its findings or the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) Chief Colonel Rivas for information relevant to the case, including an alleged diary or notebook kept by Colonel Benavides.\* Although Zamora has complained [REDACTED] that the police are not bringing forward potential witnesses, he apparently has not protested to the police director, stating instead that the Army already is aware of the problem and should resolve it. Last week, President Cristiani--at the urging of [REDACTED] called Zamora, provided him with the names of the Honor Commission members, and told him to move quickly. Subsequently, Zamora formally requested Benavides's notebook from the military and the records of the Honor Commission's meetings. [REDACTED] Zamora continues to take testimony from three to four of some 180 potential witnesses daily. [REDACTED]

2. Meanwhile, rumors concerning the case continue to circulate. Regarding the widely published allegation that Colonel Benavides is receiving special privileges, [REDACTED] received a phone call from a woman identifying herself as the Colonel's wife who denied that her husband had visited a beach resort owned by the military pension fund. While acknowledging that Benavides receives visitors, she categorically stated that he has not left his place of detention and blamed [REDACTED] for disseminating the rumors. [REDACTED] admits the rumors of Benavides's beach trip remain unconfirmed. On 9 March, Judge Zamora denied press rumors that an assassination attempt had been made against him. [REDACTED]

\* Zamora privately told [REDACTED] that he had not asked for Benavides's diary because he believed it would exonerate the Colonel, who has been charged with ordering the killings. [REDACTED]

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3. In another unconfirmed rumor, [REDACTED] last week that the ninth suspect in the Jesuit case--an enlisted man who deserted immediately after the killings--will surface soon in Mexico, where he will admit to his involvement and possibly implicate more senior officers. The suspect is expected to allege that during the operation he heard Lieutenant Espinoza--who is accused of issuing the order to shoot--talk repeatedly by radio with Vice Minister of Defense Colonel Zepeda. [REDACTED]

8 May 1990

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: El Salvador: Update on the Jesuit Killings, #5

1. Almost five months after the slaying of six Jesuit priests, their cook, and her daughter on 16 November, the investigation appears to be at a standstill. Although the initial inquiry--conducted with substantial foreign assistance and oversight--yielded sufficient evidence to charge nine soldiers with the crimes, [REDACTED] subsequent stages have suffered from a lack of aggressiveness on the part of the government's investigative bodies, especially Judge Zamora, who is responsible for spearheading and coordinating the investigation. [REDACTED] for example, Zamora has done little to solicit information to build a stronger case against Colonel Benavides and the eight other suspects. He has met only once--on 16 March, four months after the killings--with the director of the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) to discuss the case. Despite assurances from senior government officials that they would expand the inquiry, Zamora only last week followed up on the promise he had made in March to call on the members of the military's Honor Commission--established to conduct an internal investigation--to testify before him. Moreover, the judge has not yet interviewed any of the officers who attended the military commanders' meeting--at which Benavides was present and during which the problem of "hitting the guerrilla leadership" was discussed--on the night of the killings. [REDACTED]

2. The government's handling of the case has renewed charges that the military is covering up higher level involvement and has raised doubts about the government's commitment to resolving the case. Former Army Colonel Ochoa, now an ARENA legislative deputy, alleged that senior officers other than Colonel Benavides probably were involved in the Jesuit murder during a 22 April segment on CBS' "60 Minutes." Specifically, Ochoa attempted to give credence to rumors that the Vice Minister of Defense, Colonel Zepeda, was involved in the decision to kill the priests or at least was informed immediately of the act. Although the [REDACTED] Zepeda had no command over tactical units and was not in the chain of command on the night

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of the killings, rumors of his involvement persist. Nonetheless, Zamora says he will not investigate such allegations unless requested by the Attorney General or the SIU, [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] Zepeda has offered to testify in court, but Zamora has not yet interviewed him. [REDACTED]

3. Further fueling speculation of a military cover-up was the announcement on 7 May by judicial authorities that a notebook or diary allegedly kept by Benavides and recently requested by the judge as evidence has disappeared. Zamora privately told [REDACTED] in March that he had not asked for Benavides' diary because he believed it would exonerate the colonel. Four potential military witnesses to the crime, moreover, [REDACTED] are abroad for training and are unavailable to testify until later this month. In addition, the head of the military Honor Commission now claims the group kept no records and did not prepare a written report. The apparent reluctance of officers to come forward on their own with relevant information suggests that the military is doing the minimum required to cooperate with the judicial authorities, in our view. [REDACTED]

4. Ochoa's allegations coincided with other events viewed by the Salvadoran Armed Forces as unfavorable to their interests. A recent move in the US Congress to cut US military aid to El Salvador by 50 percent and the widespread publicity of the "Speaker's Task Force on El Salvador" report, which criticizes the government's investigation, caused a stir in military circles. Armed Forces spokesmen publicly denounced Ochoa's statements and insisted that he turn over any evidence to the judicial authorities. Privately, many senior civilian and military officials are urging Ochoa's ouster as head of the government-controlled electricity board, [REDACTED]. Colonel Zepeda may try to revoke Ochoa's pension as a retired officer and dismiss him from the rolls of inactive reserve, [REDACTED].

5. President Cristiani has criticized the proposed US aid cuts, saying such a move would undermine his government's efforts to negotiate a peaceful settlement with the guerrillas. Cristiani did not refute the Speaker's report, which faulted the government for not delving into the possibility that individuals other than Benavides may have ordered the killings and pointed to a possible cover-up. Nevertheless, the President has expressed his doubts that Benavides will be convicted, given the legal constraints on the use of evidence. Cristiani did say [REDACTED] however, that he hopes the case will be tried within 90 days. [REDACTED]



31 May 1990

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: El Salvador: Update on the Jesuit Killings. #6

1. The ongoing investigation into the murders of six Jesuits last November has produced a case study of endemic problems in the Salvadoran judicial system and of the tenor of civilian-military relations in El Salvador. Delays, lack of coordination, and poor communication between civilian and military authorities continue to impede progress on the case.

indicates that Judge Zamora and Special Investigative Unit (SIU) director Colonel Rivas--who met once in mid-March at the urging of --have reached an impasse. Rivas refuses to meet in the judge's chambers, and Zamora has refused to meet with Rivas elsewhere. Zamora still is reluctant to make requests of, or give specific orders to, the SIU;

he argues that a judge in El Salvador does not give orders to the military. As of 13 May, for example, the judge still had not asked the SIU or the military for a list of officers present at a commanders' meeting held only a few hours before the murders.

2. In a probable effort to improve its image and demonstrate its willingness to cooperate with the investigation, the Army announced that all requests for information from the military should be passed through the Minister of Defense to streamline the process and avoid confusion. Zamora has agreed.

3. Problems also abound among the civilians responsible for pursuing the case. Zamora, assigned in January to the pre-trial investigative phase, has dragged his feet throughout, taking action only when prodded by the President's office. Zamora recently has been given additional duties, unrelated to the Jesuit case, that are expected to limit further the time he spends on the inquiry. Meanwhile, sources in the Attorney General's office told that no one there is responsible for managing the case or for devising a prosecutorial strategy. Attorney General Mauricio Colorado himself, moreover, has told the eight prosecutors assigned to the case to take no initiatives,

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4. Zamora complains that conflicting evidence has confused him, and he seems at a loss to sort out the contradictions. For example, three members of a military Honor Commission, appointed by the President to investigate Armed Forces involvement in the murders, testified this month that the commission had submitted a written report to President Cristiani, while other members have sworn that no such report was ever prepared. In addition, the four cadets who the SIU reported were on guard at the military school the night of the murders--and, thus, would have been able to identify the soldiers who left the academy--have now testified that they were not on duty that night. [REDACTED]

5. Meanwhile, a decision in another human rights trial may have serious consequences for the Jesuit case. In the other trial, the court ruled inadmissible any evidence collected by the SIU on the grounds that the unit is not an auxiliary organ of the court. The SIU collected virtually all the physical evidence in the Jesuit case--including ballistics and fingerprints--on which the charges against the soldiers are based. [REDACTED]

6. The 120-day investigative stage of the judicial proceedings ended on 22 May, but the judge can, at his discretion, extend it. Both the judge and President Cristiani say they do not expect a trial to begin until August. [REDACTED] believes, however, that there is neither sufficient, judicially acceptable evidence to convict Col. Benavides--the highest ranked officer charged--or to quiet suspicion of even higher-level military involvement. As a result of the lack of significant progress, the case is increasingly being played out in the media rather than in the courtroom. Many junior officers, according to US Embassy and defense attache reports, believe their superiors are setting the stage for Benavides' eventual release, leaving the more junior officers who have been charged to pay for the crime. [REDACTED]

EL SALVADOR:

Killings of Priests a Setback for Government

*The killings yesterday in San Salvador of several Jesuit priests, machinegunned at their residence by unknown assailants, may increase pressure on the government to accept a rebel-proposed cease-fire.*

The insurgents have been quick to blame the government for the murders of the respected Jesuit rector of the Central American University in San Salvador, Ignacio Ellacuria, and five colleagues—as well as two other people. They are using the deaths as a rallying cry for a popular uprising and for an end to US aid to San Salvador. The internationally known Ellacuria was a longtime supporter of the insurgents but recently had criticized rebel violence and had praised the moderate course of the Cristiani government.

Responsibility for the killings remains unclear despite reports they were carried out by uniformed men. [redacted] said this week that [redacted] insurgents were disguising themselves in police uniforms and planning to attack unspecified targets near the university.

[redacted] the insurgents are using the university as a resupply center during the current offensive; police on Sunday found a cache of weapons at the Jesuit dormitory. [redacted]

Meanwhile, the FMLN has requested a brief cease-fire to evacuate civilian casualties. Nicaragua is pressing the OAS to call for a more lengthy, nationwide cessation of hostilities in El Salvador that would be verified by members of the UN border verification force. [redacted]

Comment: Senior Salvadoran civilian or military leaders are sensitive to international opinion and are unlikely to have ordered the murders, although individuals in the security services or members of the extreme right may have acted independently. The insurgents, too, could have done the killings. They stand to gain the most by casting the government as brutally repressive while diverting attention from their waning military fortunes. [redacted]

San Salvador probably wants to delay responding to the guerrilla cease-fire proposal to give the Army time to root out remaining FMLN resistance in the capital. The UN Security Council mandate is for a border-monitoring force, not a peacekeeping group. [redacted]

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EL SALVADOR:

Faced With Human Rights Concerns

*Charges of government repression, particularly allegations of military complicity in the murders last week of six Jesuit priests, confront President Cristiani with his greatest political challenge to date; his administration's credibility depends on a quick and thorough investigation and successful prosecution of the guilty parties.*

Cristiani has publicly condemned the murders and has promised to punish the killers, even if they include members of the armed forces. An investigation is under way, and the government has requested assistance from law enforcement agencies in the US, the UK, and Spain.

Although no hard information on the identity of the killers is available, a wide range of groups have already blamed the government. says alleged eyewitnesses to the murders have not come forth. Meanwhile, the rebels have accused the military of causing civilian casualties by indiscriminate aerial attacks.

**Comment:** The murder of the priests threatens to overshadow other issues in El Salvador, including the rebels' responsibility for starting the offensive and their inability to spark an insurrection or reach any of their military objectives. Even if the killers are identified, the limitations of El Salvador's legal system, such as restrictions on using certain types of evidence and the vulnerability of judges to bribery or intimidation, probably will hamper a successful prosecution. If Roberto D'Aubuisson, a popular and well-connected figure in rightwing Salvadoran politics, is involved in the killings as indicate, Cristiani probably also will face great political pressure to protect D'Aubuisson, regardless of concerns about continued US aid. It is highly unlikely Cristiani or senior military leaders are involved.

Charges that the armed forces have indiscriminately attacked civilian areas appear exaggerated. personnel who toured the neighborhoods where most of the fighting occurred say there is no evidence of indiscriminate bombing by the Air Force, which apparently adhered to strict guidelines from the political and military leadership. Nonetheless, the government probably has underestimated civilian casualties—whether caused by the military or the rebels.

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EL SALVADOR:

Plagued by Human Rights Problems

*The investigation of the Jesuit killing is proceeding too slowly to counteract charges of government abuses that are undercutting President Cristiani's efforts to improve his country's human rights image.*

The government launched an investigation immediately after the murder of the six Jesuit priests on 16 November, but technical, bureaucratic, and manpower problems have impeded it; the task force to coordinate the probe held its first meeting on Thursday with Cristiani on hand. Despite technical assistance from Spain and the US—Scotland Yard personnel are to arrive today—government agencies, including the US-trained Special Investigations Unit and the Attorney General's office, are having difficulty coordinating efforts and are overwhelmed by the magnitude of the task.

The investigation of military units and potential witnesses has uncovered little hard evidence. The government is bogged down by hundreds of mostly false leads elicited by a \$250,000 reward. Key witnesses have repeatedly changed their testimony, and says others the government believes may have information refuse to come forward, probably fearing retribution. The Catholic Church's human rights group, Tutela Legal, recently admitted some of its members initially removed evidence from the scene, including shell casings and a placard reading "death to traitors to the FMLN."

Meanwhile, local and international churches charge the government is systematically persecuting them. Although leaving the majority of churches unaffected, the government made searches and arrests of church workers in 25 cases in the first two weeks of the FMLN offensive. The government claims security forces had information suggesting the church workers were helping the FMLN, but, except for the discovery of a large arms cache at the home of a US church worker, the searches produced only pro-FMLN propaganda.

Comment: The government and military realize their credibility and prospects for continued US aid probably depend on quick resolution of the Jesuit case. Most observers believe that the inherent weakness of El Salvador's judicial system makes prospects for prosecution poor even if solid evidence is found or suspects identified.

Although the military continues to believe some church groups support the FMLN, Cristiani probably will seek to reassure local church leaders his government is not against them. He already had ordered a halt to such searches unless cleared by the Army High Command.

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EL SALVADOR:

Military Lagging on Human Rights

*Apparent foot-dragging in the six-month-old investigation of the murders of the six Jesuit priests and persistent allegations of abuses are overshadowing the Salvadoran military's efforts to improve its human rights image.*

The military has taken several steps in recent months to appear more responsive to human rights concerns. [REDACTED] the High Command has secretly named a permanent military human rights board to investigate alleged abuses by military personnel. Defense Minister Larios recently promised a rapid response to judicial requests for information on the Jesuit case. [REDACTED]

Despite these efforts, the judge who presides over the Jesuit investigation announced this month that the military is not cooperating with it. Several members of a military honor board appointed by President Cristiani to investigate military involvement in the killings recently failed to comply with the judge's summons to appear in court. Judicial authorities recently released soldiers involved in other illegal killings in 1988. [REDACTED]

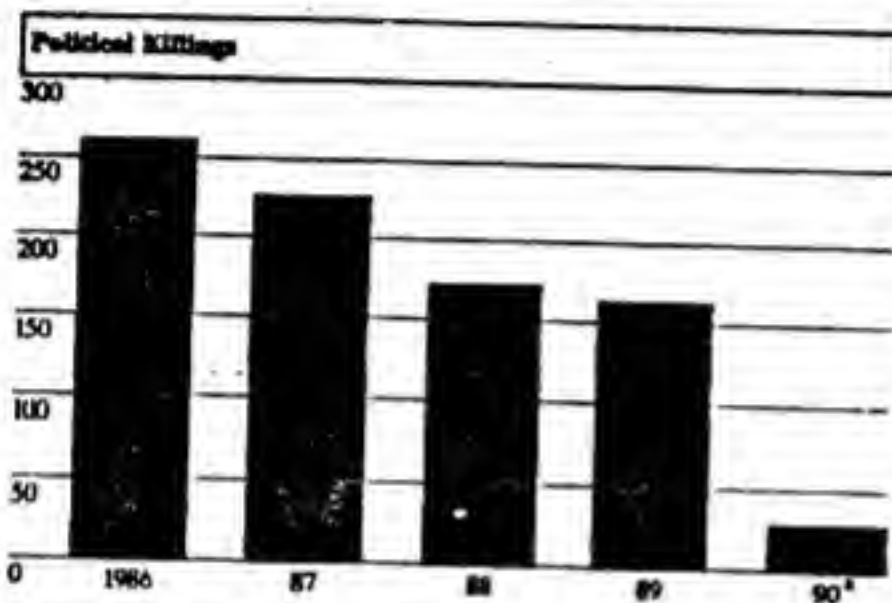
Meanwhile, Chief of Staff Ponce is moving slowly on removing commanders implicated in human rights crimes. The reassignment of the 5th Brigade commander, involved in trying to cover up the murder of 10 peasants by soldiers in his command two years ago, has been repeatedly delayed. After several months of deliberations, the High Command last month reassigned Col. Roberto Staben, who has been implicated in a string of human rights incidents. [REDACTED]

Comment: The High Command appears to appreciate the seriousness of human rights problems. But despite its assurances to senior US officials over the past several years that the military would punish offenders in a series of cases of interest to Washington, no officer has been convicted of a political murder. The release of soldiers involved in the politically motivated killings in 1988 has reinforced the perception that the military is immune from justice. [REDACTED]

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### Perpetrators of Political Killings in 1989



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SLIN (Clandestine) Radio Venceremos in Spanish to El Salvador 1354 GMT 16 Nov 89

SUBJ Venceremos Reports Rector's Assassination

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- 1 [Text] We have reports from the Salvadoran capital. Dr. Ignacio Ellacuria, a priest and rector of the Jose Simeon Canas University [formal name of the Central American university--fbis], has been assassinated by Roberto D'Aubuisson's death squads. We are trying to confirm this report, which just arrived in Radio Venceremos. Father Ignacio Ellacuria, rector of the Catholic university and a Jesuit, was assassinated by the death squads led by ARENA [Nationalist Revolutionary Alliance -- FBIS] and La Tandonia [reference to the 1966 graduating class of the Captain Gerardo Barrios Military Academy -- FBIS]. For years, Father Ellacuria has been the target of a campaign of threats and false accusations by the top military command, the newspaper EL DIARIO DE HOY, and ARENA.
- 2 We are trying to confirm this report. However, according to the information we have received, he was machinegunned in his home. (endall)  
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SUBS [Report by (Vari Mejia) and Luis Cabrera from San Jose, Costa Rica

SUBJ New FMLN Proposal May Be Offered by Ortega

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[Text] We wish to report that the Parabundo Marti National Liberation Front [FMLN] has put forth a new proposal in a communique that has been released in Mexico and in the United States.

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The FMLN proposal regards as necessary an immediate cease-fire with on site international supervision and, simultaneously, an overall definitive negotiation. It also calls for immediate guarantees of respect for human rights in El Salvador, which includes the lifting of the state of siege, repeal of the antiterrorist law, release of political prisoners, departure of wounded fighters, and the immediate dismissal of the following officers: Colonel Ponce, because of his responsibility in the bombings and murder of the Jesuits; General Bustillo, General (Villa Mariona), chief and deputy chief of the Salvadoran Air Force, respectively; Lieutenant Colonel Martinez Varela; Colonel Orlando Cepeda, deputy defense minister, for (ordering) the murder of the Jesuit priests; Colonel Gilberto Hernandez, who carried out the murder; and Captain Alfonso Chavez Garcia, who was the perpetrator,

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In addition, the FMLN has proposed an on site investigation of human rights -- which must be carried out through the Inter-American Human Rights Commission and the UN work team -- as well as of the forced disappearances, and reorganization of the negotiating table in order for the political parties and social forces to participate.

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This is what is known about the FMLN announcement, which has already been released in Mexico and in the United States. Another version circulating at the summit is that this would be a proposal to be revealed through a letter President Ortega will deliver today to the Central American presidents. (endall) 101811 [REDACTED] 1012.14e 10/1920z dec BT #9807 NNNN

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AUTH Alessandro Oppes; date, place not given

SUBS [Interview with Democratic Convergence leader Ruben Zamora by Alessandro Oppes; date, place not given]

SUBJ R. Zamora Interviewed on Killing of Jesuit Priests

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- 2 [Excerpt] Rome — [introductory passage omitted] [Oppes] The Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front [FMLN] has described the arrest of five soldiers accused of committing the massacre [of six Jesuit priests — FBIS] as "a manipulated cover operation." Basically Cristiani is alleged to have decided to punish a number of low-ranking officers in order to close the case as quickly as possible and to end international pressures. What is your opinion in this regard?
- 3 [Zamora] The fact that President Cristiani acknowledges that members of the Army were responsible for the massacre is a first step and definitely a good thing, but it is entirely insufficient unless the subsequent steps are also taken. First, to identify who the responsible parties were: This is the first important point, because nobody can feel satisfied if only low-ranking officers are identified. Such an act can only have been ordered by high-ranking officers. We must not forget the murder of Monsignor Romero, for which there were no sentences and no trials.
- 4 [Oppes] However, the Armed Forces High Command immediately denied involvement in the operation, stating that it was an isolated action "divorced from any institutional policy."
- 5 [Zamora] I believe this is entirely wrong: The murder of the Jesuit fathers cannot be considered an isolated action. Over 7,000 people have died in El Salvador during 10 years of civil war, and 90 percent of them were civilians. Political assassination by the government forces is a constant practice. Furthermore torture is regularly practised in El Salvador. The Army High Command cannot fail to know this. They cannot claim to be innocent, because they have the greatest responsibilities for human rights violations.
- 6 [Oppes] Yet last month the summit of Central American heads of state in San Jose ended with a success for President Cristiani, who secured an explicit condemnation of the offensive launched by the guerrillas in November, whereas no specific charges were leveled at the government for human rights violations.
- 7 [Zamora] There is a positive factor that should be borne in mind, namely, the call from the five presidents for a resumption of the dialogue in El Salvador and the appeal to the UN secretary general to carry out mediation to this end. But in the summit's final document it is the FMLN and the Nicaraguan contras who pay the price for the agreement among the presidents: These are diplomatic games that do not facilitate the restoration of peace in Central America.
- 8 [Oppes] What paths can be taken now to advance the negotiations?
- 9 [Zamora] Negotiations are becoming increasingly necessary. The guerrilla offensive shows that the FMLN is a strong military force, but also that a revolutionary attitude does not exist among the masses. It also shows that the government army, after 10 years of U.S. training, is an army whose military stance is defensive, not offensive (which is the key to U.S. military strategy.) While this all shows that there can only be a

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negotiated solution to the crisis, it is also true that precisely following the guerrilla offensive (and this is the paradox) the Army stiffened its stance against negotiations. I believe that sooner or later common sense will prevail and it will sit down at the negotiating table. At the end of November the U.S. secretary of state's assistant for Latin America spoke officially for the first time about the need for negotiations to resolve the crisis in El Salvador: This is an important sign of a changing situation. (endall) 11 jan [REDACTED] 16/1207z jan BT #3952 NNNN



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SUBJ TAKE ALL-- Report on Cristiani 'Plan' in Jesuits Case

Full Text Superzone of Message

- 1 [Text] Attention, local and international press, we will now present a report revealing Cristiani's plan to try to cover up the assassination of the Jesuit priests.
- 2 At noon on 11 January, we carried a report on this plan, and 3 hours before [words indistinct] appeared on a national radio and television network. We will now present a report, which -- we repeat -- reveals Cristiani's plan to let go unpunished the assassination of the Jesuit priests. This is a report we presented 3 hours before Cristiani appeared on a radio and television network.
- 3 The 72-hour deadline set by Alfredo Cristiani to reveal the names of the military personnel who assassinated the Jesuit priests and their two maids has passed, and extensive information has been circulating among diplomatic, political, and journalistic circles on the version the government wants to present. Cristiani will not reveal the truth. Along with La Tandonia [reference to the 1966 graduating class of the Captain General Gerardo Barrios Military Academy -- FBIS], he has drafted a version to try to clear the Armed Forces General Staff command of all responsibility and to place the blame for this at the level of executive command.
- 4 Cristiani will try to present the assassination of the priests as being the result of a circumstantial operational error. According to the version drafted by the Armed Forces General Staff and by Cristiani, on the night of 16 November, Atlacatl Battalion troops had been sent to the UCA [Central American University -- FBIS] to conduct a routine search. During the operation, a soldier incidentally became involved in a heated argument with Salvadoran Priest Joaquin Lopez Lopez, during which he shot the priest, killing him instantly.
- 5 According to the story the Army General Staff and Cristiani are preparing, this unforeseeable action would have complicated the routine search. Therefore, the leader of the patrol decided to eliminate all the priests and their two maids so as not to leave witnesses.
- 6 This is what President Cristiani and the Army's General Staff are preparing as their defense. To [words indistinct] this version, Cristiani [words indistinct] guessed the declarations made by the witness who testified about the last words of the late Father Martin Baro at the time of the crime. Baro was heard shouting: This is unjust!
- 7 According to the version Cristiani is preparing, Atlacatl Battalion soldiers reported the incident to General Guillermo Benavides, director of the military academy; and to Lieutenant Colonel Camilo Hernandez of the military academy, who in turn notified other officers, including Colonel Armando Aviles, chief of the G-5 of the General Staff. For reasons of personal self-interest, Col Armando Aviles passed this information confidentially to U.S. Ambassador William Walker.
- 8 The facts, their implications, and the drafting of this version of the story generated heated arguments between the members of the General Staff, the U.S. Embassy, and Cristiani. Ultimately, the media learned about these arguments, and in view of the imminent publication of this situation in the media, Alfredo Cristiani was forced to admit in a hurry and to openly acknowledge the involvement of the military in the assassination of the Jesuits.
- 9 PA1401034190TAKE1
- 10 [Text] The main reason for coming up with this version was to [words indistinct] masterminds of the crime [words indistinct] to find out who the perpetrators were. With this version, Cristiani and the High Command are trying to come up with extenuating circumstances for the trial and to

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place the responsibility for the assassination of the Jesuits on mid-level military officers. The colonels who were involved in the crime could be set free and their responsibility would only be related to the fact that the crime was committed within an area under their command.

11 This version of the crime is aimed at leaving the Armed Forces High Command free from any responsibility and to only slightly touch the members of La Tandonia, especially Col Orlando Cepeda, who was the one who signed the order to assassinate the Jesuits, and Col Rene Emilio Ponce, chief of staff. Col Guillermo Benavides, who is a member of little importance within La Tandonia, was indirectly involved in the crime.

12 However, the [word indistinct] is self-evident. The decision to carry out an operation to kill popular and religious democratic leaders was made by the general staff of the Armed Forces [words indistinct] 4 days after the FMLN offensive began. This operation was part of a complete counteroffensive plan of the Armed Forces, which included the massive use of all the firepower of the Air Force against poor neighborhoods and the killing of democratic people's movement and church leaders.

13 Alfredo Cristiani, who was taken to the headquarters of the general staff for security reasons and assumed control of the defense plan, was fully aware of the genocide plan. U.S. officers and advisers were also at the general staff headquarters at the time to discuss and approve this genocide plan.

14 The plan was implemented on the evening of 16 November. All labor union offices in San Salvador were looted. The offices of humanitarian organizations, political parties, and religious centers were also looted.

15 The plan was implemented at the installations of the UCA. The days that followed saw a continuation of the arrests, persecutions, and assassinations. The offices of all the [words indistinct] were attacked. Its leaders were forced to seek refuge or to leave the country to escape this manhunt. This is a policy for which the High Command and Alfredo Cristiani are directly responsible. [Words indistinct] The U.S. Ambassador and U.S. Embassy personnel are fully aware of this.

16 The need to come up with this version comes from the precarious predicament that the government and the Armed Forces have found themselves in in view of the debates taking place in the U.S. Congress to decide the fate of aid to El Salvador, which is linked to the results of the investigation of the assassination of the Jesuit priests on 16 November.

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SUBJ: POLICE ARREST SUSPECT IN MORMON MISSIONARY KILLINGS

SOURCE: LA PAZ EL DIARIO IN SPANISH 25 OCT 89 P 4

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TEXT:

((EXCERPT)) GOVERNMENT SOURCES YESTERDAY CONFIRMED THE ARREST OF A MAN IDENTIFIED AS SIMON NAMAHI CALLIZAYA FOR ALLEGEDLY BEING INVOLVED IN THE MURDER OF TWO MORMON MISSIONARIES FROM THE UNITED STATES. THE TWO MISSIONARIES WERE KILLED BY THE "ZARATE WILLKA" GROUP IN LIMA LAST APRIL.

ACTING INTERIOR MINISTER RAUL LOYZAGA CONFIRMED THE ARREST AND EXPLAINED THAT NAMAHI WAS ARRESTED BY TWO POLICEMEN IN THE 16 DE JULIO AREA OF EL ALTO DISTRICT DURING A FIRM ON 22 OCTOBER.

ACCORDING TO THE MINISTER, NAMAHI'S ARREST WAS ENTIRELY LEGAL AND HE WAS TAKEN TO THE CRIMINAL UNIT AND JUDICIAL POLICE JAIL. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE HUMAN RIGHTS ASSOCIATION HAVE CONFIRMED THE DETAILS OF THE ARREST, AS HAS NAMAHI.

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MINISTER LOYZAGA NOTED THAT THE TERRORIST DENIED HAVING TAKEN PART IN THE MURDER OF THE MORMON MISSIONARIES, WHO WERE KILLED IN A HOUSE ON JOSE ACHA STREET IN THE 14 SEPTEMBER NEIGHBORHOOD NEAR THE CENTRAL CEMETERY. NAMAHI DID CONFIRM, HOWEVER, THAT HE KNEW THE MURDERED MISSIONARIES AND THAT HE BELONGED TO THE "ZARATE WILLKA" GROUP.

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SUBJ: ECUMENICAL COUNCIL CONDEMNS KILLING OF JESUITS

REF: PA1711214289 PANAMA CITY ACAN SPANISH 172011 --  
ARCHBISHOP COMMENTS ON MURDER OF PRIEST

SOURCE: HAVANA RADIO REBELDE NETWORK IN SPANISH 0055 GMT 18 NOV  
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TEXT:

((TEXT)) THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF CUBA JOINS IN WITH ALL INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND FIGURES WHO HAVE VOICED THEIR CONDEMNATION REPUDIATING THE KILLING OF IGNACIO ELLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY BASED IN EL SALVADOR, VICE RECTOR ARMANDO LOPEZ, FOUR JESUIT PRIESTS, AND TWO DOMESTIC EMPLOYEES. IN A STATEMENT RELEASED IN HAVANA TODAY, THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF CUBA ASSERTED IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO SEE THAT THE MATERIAL AUTHORS OF THIS TERRIBLE CRIME WERE INSTIGATED BY THE SAME ONES WHO KILLED ARCHBISHOP MONSIGNOR ARNULFO ROMERO.

IN THE MEAN TIME, OAS SECRETARY GENERAL JOAO BAENA SOARES WILL ARRIVE IN EL SALVADOR TOMORROW TO ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE FORCES IN CONFLICT IN THE CENTRAL AMERICAN NATION. BAENA SOARES STATED TO THE PRESS IN WASHINGTON THAT HIS PEACE MISSION WAS A MANDATE OF THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN LIGHT OF THE WORSENING OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE SALVADORAN ULTRA-RIGHTIST GOVERNMENT AND THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: JURIST ASSURES 'FAIR TRIAL' FOR JESUITS' MURDERERS

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR EL DIARIO DE HOY IN SPANISH 10 JAN 90 P 3

TEXT:

((TEXT)) THOSE ACCUSED OF THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX JESUITS WILL HAVE A "FAIR TRIAL" AND IF FOUND GUILTY, THEY WILL BE PUNISHED, WHETHER THEY ARE CIVILIANS, MILITARY, OR INFLUENTIAL PEOPLE, SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT DR MAURICIO GUTIERREZ CASTRO SAID.

THE TECHNICAL INVESTIGATION COMMISSION HAS DETERMINED THAT SOME MILITARY WERE REPORTEDLY INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE SIX JESUITS AND THEIR TWO MAIDS, WHICH TOOK PLACE AT DAYBREAK ON 16 NOVEMBER, AS REPORTED BY PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI ON 7 JANUARY.

"THE LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY CAN REST ASSURED THE SALVADORAN JUDICIARY SYSTEM WILL NOT HESITATE TO ENFORCE THE LAW UPON THE AUTHORS OF THIS HORRIBLE CRIME," DR GUTIERREZ POINTED OUT.

GUTIERREZ SAID HE DOES NOT KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE INVOLVED OR THEIR MILITARY RANKS, BECAUSE THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL ACTIONS IS STILL CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS AND HAS NOT PRESENTED ITS REPORT TO THE TRIBUNAL.

HOWEVER, GENERAL PROSECUTOR DR MAURICIO EDUARDO COLORADO MAINTAINED THAT THE MILITARY SUSPECTS "ARE REGROUPED AND HAVE BEEN PUT, IN CUSTODY." HOWEVER, HE DID NOT REVEAL THE NAMES OR THE

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MILITARY RANKS OF THE SUSPECTS.

THE PROSECUTOR SAID THAT THE SCIENTIFIC TEST CONDUCTED BY THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL ACTIONS AND THE SPECIALIZED POLICE WORKING ON THIS CASE HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE CRIME COULD HAVE BEEN PERPETRATED BY ARMED FORCES MEMBERS.

"THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE WILL PROCEED ACCORDING TO THE LAW AND AGAINST WHOEVER TURNS OUT TO BE GUILTY, BECAUSE IT IS THE CONSTITUTIONAL DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE," COLORADO SAID.

ASKED ABOUT THIS ISSUE, JUSTICE MINISTER DR OSCAR ALFREDO SANTAMARIA, PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL ACTIONS SAID: "WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE MOST RECENT INFORMATION ON THIS CASE WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC A FEW DAYS AGO." HE REFUSED TO MAKE ANY FURTHER STATEMENTS.

NEW UCA ((CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY -- FBIS)) RECTOR JESUIT FRANCISCO ESTRADA ADMITTED PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI HAS TAKEN "A STEP FORWARD" BY UNMASKING THE SUSPECTS IN THIS CRIME, "BECAUSE HIS ETHIC PRINCIPLES DO NOT TOLERATE SUCH ATROCITIES."

ESTRADA SAID HE UNDERSTANDS WHY CRISTIANI, DURING HIS 7 JANUARY SPEECH, DID NOT GIVE ANY NAMES, "BECAUSE THE INVESTIGATIONS ARE STILL BEING CONDUCTED." MOREOVER, THERE MUST NOT BE ONLY ONE SUSPECT, BUT RATHER SEVERAL."

BEFORE MEETING WITH THE NEWSMEN, THE UCA RECTOR MET WITH OFFICIALS FROM SCOTLAND YARD. A FEW DAYS AGO, HE ALSO MET SPANISH, CANADIAN, AND U.S. POLICEMEN WHO, AT GOVERNMENT REQUEST, ARE ASSISTING IN THE SALVADORAN COMMISSION IN CHARGE OF CLARIFYING THIS CASE.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: POSSIBLE FMLN LINKS TO PRIESTS' MURDER SUGGESTED

REF: PA1301232490 AND ADD SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SPANISH 132100 --  
 CRISTIANI NAMES SUSPECTS IN JESUIT CASE

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2301 GMT 15 JAN 90  
 TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 15 JAN (ACAN-EFE) -- ARMANDO CALDERON SOL, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE (ARENA), THE RULING SALVADORAN PARTY, TODAY CALLED FOR AN INVESTIGATION INTO ANY POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE MILITARY PERSONNEL IMPLICATED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF JESUIT PRIESTS AND THE SALVADORAN GUERRILLAS.

"IT IS SOMETHING SO HORRENDOUS, SO MONSTROUS, THAT WE MUST INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE FMLN (FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT) STAGED THIS ASSASSINATION TO DISCREDIT THE GOVERNMENT," CALDERON SOL SAID.

SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI IMPLICATED FOUR OFFICERS, INCLUDING ONE COLONEL, AND FIVE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES IN THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN ON 16 NOVEMBER AT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY.

ACCORDING TO CALDERON SOL, THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT "IS DUTYBOUND

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TO UNCOVER THE MURDERERS OF THE JESUITS AND TO SEE IF THERE IS ANY LINK BETWEEN THE SOLDIERS INVOLVED AND THE FMLN."

"THOSE RESPONSIBLE ACTED ON THEIR OWN, TO CAUSE PROBLEMS TO THE CRISTIANI GOVERNMENT AND DISCREDIT IT. IT COULD NOT POSSIBLY BE AN ISOLATED ACT. INVESTIGATIONS ARE POINTING TO SOME KIND OF CONSPIRACY," THE PRESIDENT OF THE RIGHTIST ARENA PARTY SAID.

IN ADDITION, CALDERON SOL ASKED THE GOVERNMENTS OF EL SALVADOR AND GUATEMALA TO CARRY OUT AN "EXHAUSTIVE" INVESTIGATION TO ENSURE THAT THE MURDER OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC LEADER HECTOR OQUELI COLINDRES "DOES NOT GO UNPUNISHED."

CALDERON NOTED THAT "OQUELI HAD CLEARLY RENOUNCED THE POSITION OF ARMED STRUGGLE IN FAVOR OF A PROGRAM FOR DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION."

OQUELI COLINDRES, A SALVADORAN LEADER OF SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL, WAS FOUND DEAD ALONG WITH GILDA FLORES, A MEMBER OF THE GUATEMALAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY, ON 13 JANUARY, IN A TOWN IN SOUTHEASTERN GUATEMALA NEAR TO THE SALVADORAN BORDER.

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SUBJ: ROSA CHAVEZ COMMENTS ON JESUITS KILLING

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA SONORA 1200 GMT 15 JAN 90  
TEXT:

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((TEXT)) "...DETERMINED WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES, PEOPLE WHO SEE  
WORK INTENDING TO HELP THE POOR AS A SUBVERSIVE ACTION AND THEREFORE,  
AS SOMETHING AGAINST THE NATIONAL SECURITY, SAID SAN SALVADOR  
AUXILIARY BISHOP MONSIGNOR GREGORIO ROSA CHAVEZ CONCERNING THE NEED  
TO CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE CASE OF THE ASSASSINATED  
JESUIT PRIESTS. THE REST IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE JUSTICE  
TRIBUNALS WHO WILL HAVE IN THEIR HANDS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE  
CREDIBILITY TO THOSE STATE INSTITUTIONS, HE ADDED.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "WHEN CRISTIANI ANNOUNCED THAT THE MILITARY  
WAS RESPONSIBLE, THE QUESTION WAS WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD DISCLOSE  
THE NAMES OF THE PRIMARY PEOPLE INVOLVED. THERE IS NOW A NEW  
QUESTION BECAUSE WE DO NOT BELIEVE THESE ARE ISOLATED ACTIONS  
COMMITTED BY PEOPLE WHO DEVIATE FROM THE PARAMETERS OF THE  
INSTITUTION. RATHER, THIS RESPONDS TO A WAY OF THINKING, TO AN  
UPBRINGING, WHICH VIEWS WORK DONE BY PEOPLE LIKE THOSE WHO WERE  
ASSASSINATED, THE WORK DONE BEING DONE BY THE CHURCH, WHICH IS VERY

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COMMITTED TO PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS, AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS WORKS AS SOMETHING SUBVERSIVE, AND AGAINST THE STATE SECURITY. THEREFORE, IN THE FORMATION PROCESS WE ARE SEEN AS ENEMIES. I BELIEVE THAT PUNISHING A FEW IS NOT SUFFICIENT. IT IS ALSO NECESSARY TO THOROUGHLY REVIEW THE CRITERIA, TO DETERMINE WHO THE TRUE ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE AND COUNTRY ARE. I BELIEVE THERE IS A LOT TO DISCUSS IN THIS REGARD. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO REVIEW THE PATTERNS OF FORMATION. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE PROPOSED. NEXT WEEK WE WILL SEE THE ATTITUDE OF THE MILITARY TOWARD THE CLERGY. THIS WILL BE A TEST FOR OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM. DURING THE HOMILY, I SAID THAT THERE HAS BEEN MUCH TALK ABOUT THE NEED FOR RESPECTING LAWS. HOWEVER, EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT IMPUNITY PREVAILS IN THE COUNTRY. THEREFORE, THERE ARE TWO THINGS THAT WILL BE CLARIFIED DURING THE TRIAL THAT WILL BEGIN AGAINST THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS."

THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE FMLN GUERRILLAS CONTINUES TO BE THE CHURCH'S MAIN EFFORT IN ATTEMPTING TO SOLVE THE CONFLICT THROUGH POLITICAL MEANS. THE CHURCH WILL PLAY ITS ROLE IN THIS RESPECT, EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE PLANS NOW TO HAVE UN SECRETARY GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR JOIN EFFORTS IN RESUMING THE DIALOGUE. THIS SITUATION POSES TWO ALTERNATIVES: DIALOGUE WITH UNITED NATION'S MEDIATION OR THE MILITARY SOLUTION REACTIVATED WITH POLITICAL MURDERS SUCH AS THE ASSASSINATION OF DR HECTOR OQUELI COLINDRES, ACCORDING TO THE RELIGIOUS SECTOR IN THE COUNTRY.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "THERE ARE TWO ALTERNATIVES: THE PATH OF A POLITICAL SOLUTION WHICH COULD BE RESUMED IF THE MEDIATION EFFORTS BY DR PEREZ DE CUELLAR ARE SUCCESSFUL; AND THE PATH OF TOTAL MADNESS WHICH IS PROMOTED WITH ASSASSINATIONS LIKE THE KILLING OF DR OQUELI COLINDRES. THE ASSASSINATION OF OQUELI MAKES THE POLITICAL SOLUTION MORE DIFFICULT. HOWEVER, SOLVING THE DIFFICULTIES WILL DEPEND ON THE WISDOM OF ALL PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE IN OUR COUNTRY."

DURING THE CELEBRATION OF RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES, AND DURING THE TRADITIONAL PART OF THE HOMILY ON EVENTS THIS WEEK, ROSA CHAVEZ MENTIONED THAT IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT THE VIOLENT EVENTS IN THE PAST FEW DAYS COULD HELP TO ATTAIN PEACE IN EL SALVADOR.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "WE ASK PEOPLE TO HONOR AGAIN THE SACRED RIGHT TO LIVE, TO ALL LIVES, REGARDLESS OF POLITICAL OR IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES. "IN FRONT OF THE CORPSE OF A MAN ((OQUELI -- FBIS)) WHO PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL ROUNDS OF DIALOGUE, WE SHOULD RENEW THE UNYIELDING COMMITMENT TO SET ASIDE VIOLENCE AND PROMOTE A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE COMPLEX AND DESPERATE ARMED CONFRONTATION DESTROYING US EACH DAY. PARADOXICALLY, THE MOMENT WE ARE LIVING, SO FULL OF BAD NEWS, COULD BE CRUCIAL FOR PEACE."

NEXT WEEK, SALVADORAN BISHOPS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE SALVADORAN EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE ((CEDES)) WILL HOLD A MEETING IN SAN SALVADOR, EVEN THOUGH A LOT HAS BEEN SAID IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS REGARDING DISAGREEMENTS EXISTING WITHIN THE CHURCH OVER THE SOCIAL-RELIGIOUS WORK IT CARRIES OUT. FOR MSGR ROSA CHAVEZ, THIS MEETING WILL SERVE TO DETERMINE, WITH THESE OBJECTIVES IN MIND, WHAT THE WORK OF CEDES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN HELPING THE NEEDY SHOULD BE.

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SERIAL: PA1701003790

BODY

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: MILITARY SUSPECTS IN JESUITS CASE APPEAR BEFORE JUDGE

REF: PA1301231490 AND ADD SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SPANISH  
132100 -- CRISTIANI NAMES SUSPECTS IN JESUIT CASE

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2348 GMT L16 JAN 90  
TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 16 JAN (ACAN-EFE) -- FOUR OFFICERS AND FOUR SALVADORAN ARMY SOLDIERS WHO WERE ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN, APPEARED THIS AFTERNOON BEFORE THE JUDGE.

THE EIGHT SOLDIERS WERE TRANSFERED, UNDER STRICT SECURITY, FROM THE GARRISONS IN WHICH THEY ARE BEING HELD TO THE COURT.

PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI NAMED ON 14 JANUARY COLONEL GUILLERMO BENAVIDES OF THE MILITARY ACADEMY; TWO LIEUTENANTS, A SUBLIEUTENANT, TWO NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS, A CORPORAL, AND TWO SOLDIERS AS SUSPECTS IN THIS CRIME. HE ALSO SAID ONE OF THE SOLDIERS IS AT LARGE.

THE CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION COMMISSION WAS IN CHARGE OF GATHERING EVIDENCE, WHICH AFTERWARDS WAS SENT TO THE ARMY HONOR COMMISSION TO ASSIGN RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE CRIMES.

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN SALVADORAN HISTORY THAT ARMY MEMBERS HAVE APPEARED BEFORE A JUDGE AS SUSPECTS IN A POLITICAL CRIME.

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SERIAL: PA1711002889

BODY

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: CRISTIANI CONDEMNS KILLING OF JESUITS, ORDERS INVESTIGATION

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2346 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 16 NOV (ACAN-EFE) -- WHEN ANSWERING A QUESTION ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE SIX JESUITS AND TWO OTHER PERSONS COULD HAVE BEEN MURDERED BY THE MILITARY, SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI SAID TODAY THAT "IF THE ARMED FORCES PEOPLE DID IT, THE WEIGHT OF THE LAW WILL FALL ALSO ON THEM."

CRISTIANI "STRONGLY CONDEMNED" THE MULTIPLE MURDER THAT TOOK PLACE EARLY THIS MORNING AND ATTRIBUTED IT TO "GROUPS OR MINDS THAT WANT TO HINDER THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY AND PEACE THAT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT IN EL SALVADOR."

THE PRESIDENT SAID HE WAS DETERMINED "TO INVESTIGATE THIS TO THE VERY END, REGARDLESS OF WHO DID IT."

HE EMPHASIZED THAT IT IS TOO EARLY "TO GIVE ANY OPINION" ON WHO COULD HAVE COMMITTED THE MURDERS, POINTING OUT THAT THE FACT THE MEN WHO DID IT WERE WEARING UNIFORMS AND WERE MOVING AT NIGHT DURING THE STRICT CURFEW IN THE CITY "IS NOT CONCLUSIVE."

CRISTIANI SAID THAT "THE ARMED FORCES AS WELL AS THE GUERRILLA

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GROUPS MOVE DURING THE CURFEW HOURS."

HE STATED THAT IN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF, WITH WHOM HE MET THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE, HE HAS ORDERED AN INVESTIGATION.

THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT DISCLOSED THE EXISTENCE OF "A POSSIBLE WITNESS THAT HAS NOT BEEN INTERROGATED BY THOSE WHO ARE CARRYING OUT THE INVESTIGATION" AND WHO HAVE FINGERPRINTS AND EMPTY CARTRIDGES OF BULLETS FOR AK-47S AND M-16S.

CRISTIANI DISAVOWED VERSIONS REPORTED DURING THE DAY BY THE GOVERNMENT RADIO NETWORK THAT CLAIM THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN) GUERRILLAS COMMITTED THE MURDER.

IN ANOTHER PART OF HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ADMITTED THAT WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES "THERE MIGHT GROUPS OF PERSONS WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH THE GOVERNMENT," BUT HE ADDED THAT "AS AN INSTITUTION, THEY ARE WITH THE GOVERNMENT."

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BODY  
 COUNTRY: NICARAGUA  
 SUBJ: ORTEGA CONDEMNS JESUITS' ASSASSINATION

REF: PA1611210589 MANAGUA RADIO SANDINO SPANISH 161945 --  
 NICARAGUA: ORTEGA DECREES 3-DAY MOURNING FOR SLAIN PRIESTS

SOURCE: MANAGUA RADIO SANDINO IN SPANISH 1207 GMT 17 NOV 89  
 TEXT:

((TEXT)) PRESIDENT DANIEL ORTEGA, VICE PRESIDENT SERGIO RAMIREZ, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS HAVE ATTENDED THE FUNERAL MASS ((FOR THE JESUIT PRIESTS SLAIN IN EL SALVADOR -- FBIS)). ORTEGA GAVE A STATEMENT FOLLOWING THE MASS, HARSHLY CRITICIZING THE SALVADORAN AND U.S. GOVERNMENTS.

((BEGIN ORTEGA RECORDING)) THIS IS NOTHING NEW. IT IS CLEAR THAT THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT....((CORRECTS HIMSELF -- FBIS)) THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT CONTINUES TO SUPPORT A CRIMINAL REGIME, A MURDEROUS REGIME WHICH ASSASSINATES THE PEOPLE AND THEIR RELIGIOUS LEADERS.  
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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR  
SUBJ: CRISTIANI PROMISES INVESTIGATION INTO ASSASSINATIONS

REF: PA1711002889 PANAMA CITY ACAN SPANISH 162346 -- CRISTIANI  
CONDEMNS KILLING OF JESUITS, ORDERS INVESTIGATION

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SERVICE IN SPANISH 0335 GMT 18 NOV 89  
TEXT:

(((STATEMENT BY SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI IN SAN  
SALVADOR; DATE NOT GIVEN -- RECORDED)))

((TEXT)) SALVADORAN PEOPLE: WE HAVE POWERFUL REASONS FOR  
ENSURING THAT JUSTICE WILL BE SERVED IN THIS REGRETTABLE INCIDENT IN  
WHICH FATHER ELLACURIA, OTHER PRIESTS, AND CIVILIANS WERE KILLED. WE  
WANT TO TELL THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO DRAW PREMATURE CONCLUSIONS TO  
ABSTAIN FROM DOING SO; WE URGE YOU TO HEED THE COMMUNITY OF JESUS AND  
THE ARCHBISHOPRIC OF SAN SALVADOR'S CALLS THAT THIS CASE NOT BE  
POLITICIZED OR USED TO GENERATE FURTHER VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRY.

WE BELIEVE THAT AN INVESTIGATION MUST BE CONDUCTED; WE ARE  
COMMITTED TO CONDUCTING AN IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION TO PUNISH THE  
PERPETRATORS OF THIS SAVAGE ACTION REGARDLESS OF WHO IS INVOLVED.

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THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC WILL REQUEST HELP TO ENSURE THAT THE SALVADORAN CRIME INVESTIGATION COMMISSION WILL BE ADVISED BY EXPERTS IN ORDER TO GET TO THE ROOT OF THIS REGRETTABLE INCIDENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE WILL ASK THE UNITED STATES, GREAT BRITAIN, AND SPAIN TO HELP US. I MENTION SPAIN BECAUSE SOME OF THOSE WHO WERE ASSASSINATED ARE CITIZENS OF THAT COUNTRY.

SALVADORAN PEOPLE: WE BELIEVE THAT THE TIME HAS COME TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION AND ENSURE THAT JUSTICE IS SERVED IN REPREHENSIBLE ACTIONS LIKE THIS ONE INSTEAD OF POLITICIZING THEM AND GENERATING FURTHER VIOLENCE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND THE ARMED FORCES WILL NEVER ALLOW A RETURN TO THE PAST; A RETURN TO THOSE DRAMATIC AND REGRETTABLE TIMES IN THE COUNTRY WHEN GROUPS WANTED TO FURTHER THEIR CAUSE THROUGH VIOLENT ACTS SUCH AS THIS ONE. WE WILL NOT ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN AND WILL PURSUE SUCH GROUPS TO ENSURE THAT THEY FEEL THE FULL FORCE OF THE LAW.

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COUNTRY: VENEZUELA  
SUBJ: PRESIDENT SAYS FMLN DID NOT KILL PRIESTS

SOURCE: MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 1416 GMT 18 NOV 89  
TEXT:

((TEXT)) CARACAS, 17 NOV (EFE) -- VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ SAID TODAY THT THE MURDER OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN IN SAN SALVADOR ON 16 NOVEMBER "IT NOT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN)."

PEREZ DESCRIBED THE GUNNING DOWN OF THE JESUITS, A DOMESTIC, AND THE DOMESTIC'S DAUGHTER AS A "HORRIBLE CRIME," ADDING THAT THIS ACT "DEMONSTRATES HOW FAR AN ABSOLUTELY UNJUSTIFIED WAR CAN GO."

THE VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT SAID THAT "IT IS INCONCEIVABLE THAT WITH PEACE TALKS UNDERWAY, THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN A RESUMPTION OF A WAR THAT IS TAKING HUNDREDS OF LIVES EVERY DAY."

THE PRESIDENT ADDED THAT SO FAR THERE HAS BEEN NO RESPONSE TO HIS "REPEATED OFFERS" TO HAVE VENEZUELA BE THE SEAT OF PEACE TALKS

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BETWEEN THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT AND THE GUERRILLAS.

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BODY

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: FUNERAL OF SLAIN JESUITS BEGINS AMID TIGHT SECURITY

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 1652 GMT 19 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 19 NOV (ACAN - EFE) -- THE FUNERAL SERVICE OF THE SIX JESUITS ASSASSINATED ON 16 NOVEMBER BEGAN HERE THIS MORNING WITH THE PRESENCE OF PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI, HIS WIFE MARGARITA, AND SPANISH FOREIGN UNDER SECRETARY INOCENCIO ARIAS.

THE CEREMONY BEGAN AT 1020 (1620 GMT) IN THE AUDITORIUM OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WHERE THE SLAIN JESUITS WORKED AND WHERE THEY WILL BE BURIED.

THE CEREMONY IS BEING OFFICIATED BY ARCHBISHOP ARTURO RIVERA DAMAS.

THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IS SURROUNDED BY SALVADORAN ARMY TROOPS.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR  
SUBJ: RIVERA Y DAMAS URGES CRISTIANI TO INVESTIGATE KILLINGS

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 1742 GMT 19 NOV 89  
TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 19 NOV (ACAN - EFE) -- SAN SALVADOR  
ARCHBISHOP ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS TODAY URGED PRESIDENT ALFREDO  
CRISTIANI AND THE ARMED FORCES TO INVESTIGATE THE ASSASSINATION OF  
THE SIX JESUITS, "BECAUSE THERE IS A STRONG PRESUMPTION THAT THE  
ASSASSINS MAY BE ARMED FORCES MEMBERS OR PEOPLE CLOSELY LINKED WITH  
THE ARMY."

"PRESIDENT CRISTIANI AND THE ARMY'S HIGH COMMAND HAVE PROMISED TO  
CONDUCT A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION. WE HAVE TAKEN THEIR WORD NOT JUST  
BECAUSE THERE SHOULD BE JUSTICE, BUT ALSO BECAUSE THERE IS A STRONG  
PRESUMPTION THAT THE ASSASSINS MAY BE FROM THE ARMED FORCES OR PEOPLE  
VERY CLOSELY RELATED TO THE ARMED FORCES," RIVERA Y DAMAS SAID DURING  
THE SUNDAY HOMILY.

FOLLOWING THE RELIGIOUS CEREMONY, HELD AT THE "SACRED HEART"  
BASILICA, AND IN THE PRESENCE OF SOME 50 NEWSMEN, RIVERA SAID: "I  
STAND BY MY PREVIOUS STATEMENT. I HOPE THIS WILL MOTIVATE PRESIDENT  
CRISTIANI AND THE ARMED FORCES."

ACCORDING TO WITNESSES, A GROUP OF PEOPLE WEARING MILITARY  
UNIFORMS ASSASSINATED THE JESUITS ON 16 NOVEMBER -- FIVE SPANIARDS

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AND A SALVADORAN -- INCLUDING CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY RECTOR IGNACIO ELLACURIA. THE ASSASSINS ALSO KILLED TWO DOMESTIC WORKERS. THE JESUITS WERE BURIED TODAY AT THE CHAPEL OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WHERE THEY HAD BEEN WORKING FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS.

SAN SALVADOR AUXILIARY BISHOP GREGORIO ROSA CHAVEZ, WHO CELEBRATED THE MASS -- ALONG WITH RIVERA Y DAMAS AND THE GERMAN BISHOP EMILE STELLE -- SAID THAT THE CHURCH "IS CARRYING OUT INTENSE EFFORTS TO HALT THE COMBAT, CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE PROCESS, AND END THE WAR IN THE COUNTRY."

ACCORDING TO ROSA CHAVEZ, THE GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE PARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT ((FMLN)) GUERRILLAS "AGREE THAT THE CHURCH SHOULD MEDIATE BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES."

MOREOVER, ROSA CHAVES SAID, ON 18 NOVEMBER THAT THE BISHOPS MET FOR OVER 2 HOURS WITH CRISTIANI "TO SEARCH FOR ALTERNATIVES TO SOLVE THE CONFLICT," AND TO END THE WAR THAT HAS BEEN WAGED FOR OVER A DECADE IN EL SALVADOR. HE ADDED THAT WITH THE ARRIVAL OF THE OAS SECRETARY GENERAL JOAO BAENA SOARES, JOINT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE WAR.

RIVERA Y DAMAS STRESSED THAT THE CLASHES BETWEEN THE ARMY AND THE GUERRILLAS DURING THE PAST WEEK HAVE RESULTED IN OVER 1,000 KILLED, AND AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF HOUSES DESTROYED.

"THE FMLN OFFENSIVE HAS BEEN USELESS AND UNJUSTIFIED, BUT THE ARMY'S RESPONSE WITH THE AIR FORCE AND THE ARTILLERY HAS BEEN EXCESSIVE," RIVERA Y DAMAS SAID. HE REQUESTED THAT THE "LESS AFFECTED" POPULATION "TO BE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE MORE NEEDY."

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TEXT WASHINGTON, 16 NOV (EFE) -- SALVADORAN FOREIGN MINISTER  
JOSE MANUEL PACAS CASTRO TODAY CONDEMNED THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX  
JESUITS AND TWO WOMEN IN HIS COUNTRY, AND HE BLAMED THE ULTRALEFTIST  
GROUPS FOR IT, ALTHOUGH HE SAID HE HAD NO PROOF.

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EL SALVADOR: CRISTIANI ORDERS INVESTIGATION OF PRIEST KILLINGS  
PA1711002889 PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2346 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT SAN SALVADOR, 16 NOV (ACAN-EPE) -- WHEN ANSWERING A QUESTION ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE SIX JESUITS AND TWO OTHER PERSONS COULD HAVE BEEN MURDERED BY THE MILITARY, SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI SAID TODAY THAT "IF THE ARMED FORCES PEOPLE DID IT, THE WEIGHT OF THE LAW WILL FALL ALSO ON THEM."

CRISTIANI "STRONGLY CONDEMNED" THE MULTIPLE MURDER THAT TOOK PLACE EARLY THIS MORNING AND ATTRIBUTED IT TO "GROUPS OR MINDS THAT WANT TO HINDER THE PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY AND PEACE THAT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT IN EL SALVADOR."

THE PRESIDENT SAID HE WAS DETERMINED "TO INVESTIGATE THIS TO THE VERY END, REGARDLESS OF WHO DID IT."

HE EMPHASIZED THAT IT IS TOO EARLY "TO GIVE ANY OPINION" ON WHO COULD HAVE COMMITTED THE MURDERS, POINTING OUT THAT THE FACT THE MEN WHO DID IT WERE WEARING UNIFORMS AND WERE MOVING AT NIGHT DURING THE STRICT CURFEW IN THE CITY "IS NOT CONCLUSIVE."

CRISTIANI SAID THAT "THE ARMED FORCES AS WELL AS THE GUERRILLA GROUPS MOVE DURING THE CURFEW HOURS."

HE STATED THAT IN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF, WITH WHOM HE MET THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS THE ISSUE, HE HAS ORDERED AN INVESTIGATION.

THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT DISCLOSED THE EXISTENCE OF "A POSSIBLE WITNESS THAT HAS NOT BEEN INTERROGATED BY THOSE WHO ARE CARRYING OUT THE INVESTIGATION" AND WHO HAVE FINGERPRINTS AND EMPTY CARTRIDGES OF BULLETS FOR AK-47S AND M-16S.

CRISTIANI DISAVOWED VERSIONS REPORTED DURING THE DAY BY THE GOVERNMENT RADIO NETWORK THAT CLAIM THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN) GUERRILLAS COMMITTED THE MURDER.

IN ANOTHER PART OF HIS NEWS CONFERENCE, THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ADMITTED THAT WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES "THERE MIGHT GROUPS OF PERSONS WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH THE GOVERNMENT," BUT HE ADDED THAT "AS AN INSTITUTION, THEY ARE WITH THE GOVERNMENT."

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SERIAL: PA1611230889

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: FOREIGN MINISTER ACCUSES FMLN OF KILLING PRIESTS  
SOURCE: MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 2106 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) WASHINGTON, 16 NOV (EFE) -- SALVADORAN FOREIGN MINISTER JOSE MANUEL PACAS CASTRO CONDEMNED TODAY THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX JESUITS AND TWO WOMEN IN HIS COUNTRY, AND HE BLAMED THE ULTRALEFTIST GROUPS FOR IT, ALTHOUGH HE SAID HE HAD NO PROOF.

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COUNTRY: SPAIN

SUBJ: COMMUNIQUE ISSUED ON KILLINGS IN EL SALVADOR

REF: 1. PA1611143089 (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS SPANISH TO EL  
SALVADOR 161354 -- VENCEREMOS REPORTS RECTOR'S  
ASSASSINATION

2. PA1611140389 MADRID EFE SPANISH 161339 -- UNIVERSITY  
RECTOR, 6 CLERGYMEN MURDERED

SOURCE: MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 1636 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) MADRID, 16 NOV (EFE) -- THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT, THROUGH  
THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY, TODAY EXPRESSED "CONSTERNATION" OVER  
THE "HORRENDOUS MURDER" OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN IN SAN  
SALVADOR TODAY.

IN AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE "THE DIPLOMATIC PRESS OFFICE EXPRESSES  
THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT'S CONSTERNATION OVER THESE HORRENDOUS MURDERS,  
WHICH CASTS SHAME ON THOSE WHO INSTIGATED, ENCOURAGED, AND COMMITTED  
THEM."

THE COMMUNIQUE CONTINUES: "THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT, THROUGH THE  
FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTRY, HAS ASKED THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
EL SALVADOR TO CONDUCT A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO THE INCIDENT."

THE COMMUNIQUE ADDS: "THIS ESCALATION OF VIOLENCE DEMONSTRATES  
ONCE AGAIN THE NEED FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE AND THE PROMPT  
INITIATION OF SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS TO END SO MUCH SUFFERING IN THAT  
FRATERNAL COUNTRY."

THE OFFICIAL SPANISH GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE WAS REFERRING TO THE  
MASSACRE PERPETRATED EARLY THIS MORNING AT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN  
UNIVERSITY IN EL SALVADOR. ACCORDING TO THE SALVADORAN CURIA, 30  
MEN IN UNIFORM MURDERED SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN WHO WERE  
ASLEEP IN A RESIDENCE NEXT TO THE UNIVERSITY GROUNDS.

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SERIAL: PA1611221889

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: BISHOP CALLS FOR PEACE, DIALOGUE, REGRETS KILLINGS

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SERVICE IN SPANISH 2011 GMT 16 NOV 89

TEXT:

//((INTERVIEW WITH SALVADORAN BISHOP ROBERTO JOAQUIN RAMOS BY UNIDENTIFIED REPORTER AT RADIO STATION -- LIVE))

((TEXT)) ((REPORTER)) WELCOME, MR BISHOP.

((RAMOS)) THANK YOU. I WANT TO APPEAL TO THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE FOR PEACE SO THAT WE MAY ALL STRUGGLE TO BUILD A COMMUNITY WHERE ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) VALUES.

IT IS REGRETTABLE THAT THE DIALOGUE PROCESS HAS COME TO A HALT AND THAT AT A MOMENT WHEN THE GERMANS ARE CELEBRATING THEIR UNITY, WE ARE INITIATING AN ARMED STRUGGLE.

I ESPECIALLY WANT TO EXPRESS MY REGRET AT THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS. THIS WAS A SAVAGE CRIME WITHOUT PRECEDENT IN EL SALVADOR'S HISTORY. ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) TO WORSEN THE COUNTRY'S SITUATION AND TO EXACERBATE PASSIONS TO MAKE PEACE INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT.

I HOPE THAT MY BROTHERS, ALL THE SALVADORANS WHO BELIEVE IN CHRIST, MAY LEARN TO VALUE LIFE AS A PRECIOUS GIFT FROM GOD, MAY LEARN TO RESPECT LIFE, TO RESPECT OTHER PEOPLE'S OPINIONS, AND TO LOVE OTHERS IN SPITE OF DIFFERENCES.

I ALSO HOPE THAT THIS PAINFUL SITUATION WE HAVE BEEN ENDURING FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS WILL MAKE US MORE AWARE OF OUR DUTIES AS CITIZENS AND CHRISTIANS. WE HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO BUILD A JUSTER SOCIETY, MORE DESERVING OF THE NAME THE NATION HAS CARRIED SINCE THE DAYS OF THE COLONY: EL SALVADOR.

I WANT THE SAVIOR TO ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) TO CALM DOWN THIS THIRST OF BLOOD THAT IS ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) AND DESTROYING USEFUL LIVES, THE LIVES OF ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) AND GET OVER THIS STORM ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) AS MEMBERS OF A CIVILIZED SOCIETY, OF A CHRISTIAN SOCIETY.

((REPORTER)) YOUR STATEMENT COMFORTS US AT THIS DIFFICULT MOMENT. DO YOU HAVE ANY RECOMMENDATION FOR THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE AS TO WHAT TO DO AT THIS TIME?

((RAMOS)) I RECOMMEND TO THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE TO REMAIN CALM, AND ESPECIALLY TO PRAY. ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) THE HEARTS OF PEACE THROUGH LOVE FOR GOD AND THE FAITH WE MAY HAVE.

((REPORTER)) DO YOU HAVE ANY RECOMMENDATION FOR THE REBELS, FOR THE FMLN SPECIFICALLY?

((RAMOS)) I WOULD ASK THEM TO REESTABLISH THE DIALOGUE THAT HAS BEEN BROKEN. IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED, SINCE THE DAYS WHEN CAJAL KILLED HIS BROTHER ABEL, THAT VIOLENCE IS NOT THE SOLUTION TO INJUSTICE. VIOLENCE GENERATES MORE VIOLENCE, AND AS CIVILIZED PEOPLE WE SHOULD RESOLVE OUR DIFFERENCES THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS AND DIALOGUE.

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EL SALVADOR: JESUIT LINKS DEATHS TO ROMERO KILLING  
PA1711032289 PARIS AFP IN SPANISH 0026 GMT 17 NOV 89  
BY ARTURO GUDINO

EXCERPTS NO DATELINE AS RECEIVED -- THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX MEMBERS OF HIS ORDER, INCLUDING IGNACIO ELLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (UCA), "ARE THE SAME ONES WHO KILLED MSGR OSCAR ARNULFO ROMERO, ARCHBISHOP OF SAN SALVADOR."

"I DO NOT WANT TO ACCUSE ANYONE, BUT IT IS OBVIOUS WHERE THE FACTS ARE POINTING," JOSE MARIA TOJEIRA JESUIT PROVINCIAL SUPERVISOR STATED AT A NEWS CONFERENCE HELD THIS AFTERNOON IN THE UCA CHAPEL, ONLY A FEW METERS FROM WHERE THE JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO DOMESTICS WERE KILLED THIS MORNING.

THE PRIEST RECALLED THAT OVER THE WEEKEND THE GOVERNMENT RADIO NETWORK "LAUNCHED FIERCE ATTACKS AGAINST THE WORD INDISTINCT, SAYING THAT A FEW PRIESTS HAD TO BE KILLED IN THIS COUNTRY OR THAT THEY HAD TO BE PLACED IN FRONT OF THE CATHEDRAL SO THAT THE PEOPLE COULD KILL THEM BY SPITTING AT THEM," TOJEIRA NOTED.

ALSO, HE ADDED THAT ON MONDAY ARMED FORCES MEMBERS RAIDED THE HOMES OF ELLACURIA AND COMPANIONS. "ON THAT OCCASION THEY WERE QUITE CORRECT, ACCORDING TO WHAT FATHER ELLACURIA TOLD ME," ADDED TOJEIRA, WHO WAS QUITE UPSET DURING THE NEWS CONFERENCE.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: JESUIT PRIEST EXPLAINS EVENTS LEADING UP TO KILLINGS

SOURCE: PARIS APP IN SPANISH 0028 GNT 17 NOV 89

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THE BODIES OF ELLACURIA AND HIS JESUIT COMPANIONS IGNACIO MARTIN  
BARO, SEGUNDO MONTES, JUAN RAMON MORENO, ARMANDO LOPEZ, AND JOAQUIN  
LOPEZ, AS WELL AS DOMESTIC ELBA RAMON AND HER 15-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER,  
WERE RIDDLED WITH BULLETS, WHILE SOME ALSO HAD THEIR SKULLS CRUSHED.

THE DEATH OF THE PRIESTS, FIVE OF THEM SPANIARDS, WHO WERE ALWAYS  
IN FAVOR OF A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS, HAS INCREASED THE  
FEAR AND DESPERATION FELT BY THE SALVADORANS SINCE THE PAST WEEKEND,  
WHEN VIOLENT FIGHTING BROKE OUT BETWEEN THE GUERRILLAS AND SOLDIERS  
IN THE NORTHERN PART OF SAN SALVADOR.

THE PRIESTS WERE KILLED BY SOME 30 MEN WEARING OLIVE DRAB UNIFORMS  
WHO BROKE INTO THE PLACE, ACCORDING TO WITNESSES WHO WERE THERE,  
TOJEIRA EXPLAINED.

THE PRIEST RECALLED THAT OVER THE WEEKEND THE GOVERNMENT RADIO  
NETWORK "LAUNCHED FIRED ATTACKS AGAINST THE ((WORD INDISTINCT)),  
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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: OPPOSITION SAYS GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR PRIEST KILLINGS

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 0141 17 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 16 NOV (ACAN-EFE) -- THE OPPOSITION SOCIAL CHRISTIAN PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT (MPC) AND THE NATIONAL REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT (NMR) TODAY CONDEMNED THE ASSASSINATION OF SIX JESUITS IN SAN SALVADOR, AND HELD THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ARMED FORCES RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CRIME.

THE MPC REQUESTED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS ACCREDITED IN SAN SALVADOR TO MAKE "GOOD OFFICES BEFORE THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT AND ARMED FORCES" SO THEY "ADOPT REALISTIC POSITIONS AND AGREE TO AN IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATION OF A CEASE-FIRE WITH THE GUERRILLAS."

THE SOCIAL CHRISTIANS STRESSED THAT THE BLOODSHED OF CIVILIANS MUST CEASE AND THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO CREATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS TO BRING PEACE TO EL SALVADOR.

THE NMR SAID THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUITS -- FIVE SPANIARDS AND A SALVADORAN -- "SEEKS TO SILENCE AND SUBDUCE WITH TERROR THE WORK OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY," WHOSE RECTOR WAS IGNACIO ELLACURIA. "THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THAT THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY AND ITS MOST OUTSTANDING OFFICIALS ARE THE OBJECT OF ACCUSATIONS AND VERBAL AND PHYSICAL AGGRESSION BY ULTRA-RIGHTIST SECTORS," THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC NMR NOTED.

THE NMR IS "CONCERNED AND SURPRISED BY THE IRRESPONSIBLE AND SUSPICIOUS CONDUCT OF THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT AND THE ARMED FORCES' HIGH COMMAND OF HOLDING THE GUERRILLAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATIONS, WHICH GIVES CARTE BLANCHE TO THE DEATH SQUADS AND TO THE MASS TERROR OF 1980, 1981, AND 1982."

THE HIGHEST NMR AND MPC LEADERS, GUILLERMO UNGO AND RUBEN ZAMORA RESPECTIVELY, ~~BOUGHT REFUGE AND ARE AT THE VENEZUELAN AND MEXICAN EMBASSIES ACCREDITED IN SAN SALVADOR.~~

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE ARMED FORCES CONDEMNED THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUITS. MOREOVER, PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI SAID THAT IF IT IS PROVEN THAT ARMED FORCES MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIME, "THE FULL FORCE OF LAW WILL BE IMPOSED UPON THEM."

SAN SALVADOR RESIDENTS ARE ENDURING THE 5TH CONSECUTIVE DAY OF BLOODY CLASHES WHICH BEGAN WITH THE PARABUNDO MARTI OFFENSIVE ON 11 NOVEMBER.

THE DEATH TOLL IS SOME 1,000 AND THE CONFLICT SEEMS TO INTENSIFY EACH DAY, AS EVIDENCED BY THE CONTINUOUS ARMY ATTACKS ON THE REBEL REDOUBTS.

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COUNTRY: CUBA

SUBJ: HAVANA BLAMES SALVADORAN ARMY FOR PRIEST KILLINGS

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OPPOSITION SAYS GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBLE FOR PRIEST  
KILLINGS

SOURCE: HAVANA RADIO REBELDE NETWORK IN SPANISH 1140 GMT 17 NOV  
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TEXT:

(((COMMENTARY BY ORLANDO CONTRERAS FROM "HACIENDO RADIO"  
PROGRAM)))

((TEXT)) FIGHTING CONTINUES TODAY IN SAN SALVADOR, AND  
FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE TRIUMPHALIST TONE OF THE SALVADORAN  
ARMY BEGINS TO CHANGE. AN AP CABLE WE RECEIVED THIS MORNING IN  
OUR NEWSROOM SAYS THE FOLLOWING: THE ARMED FORCES HAVE  
ACKNOWLEDGED THEY HAVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS IN VARIOUS SUBURBS OF  
THIS CAPITAL. THIS IS WHAT THE AP CABLE SAYS TEXTUALLY IN ITS  
HEADLINE.

IN ADDITION TO THIS SITUATION, THERE IS ANOTHER FACT IN THE  
BATTLEFIELD TO WHICH THE NEWS AGENCIES HAVE NOT PAID MUCH  
ATTENTION, WHICH IS ALSO A REFLECTION OF THE TYPE OF COMBAT THAT  
THE SALVADORAN FORCES ARE FIGHTING. AP ITSELF SAYS THE  
FOLLOWING: THE WAR BECAME DIRTY WITH THE MURDER OF SIX JESUIT  
PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN BY UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS WHO ACTED DURING  
THE CURFEW. FURTHERMORE, THE CABLE SAYS THAT THE CANADIAN  
EMBASSY IN SAN SALVADOR REPORTED THAT 12 WORKERS FROM THE  
LUTHERAN CHURCH WERE ARRESTED BY UNIFORMED SECURITY INDIVIDUALS  
IN DOWNTOWN SAN SALVADOR. AT THE BEGINNING, THE CABLE SAID THAT  
THE SIX PRIESTS HAD BEEN MURDERED BY UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS.  
LATER, THEY ARE IDENTIFIED AS UNIFORMED INDIVIDUALS.

AMONG THE PRIESTS MURDERED WAS FATHER IGNACIO ELLACURIA,  
RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY AND DIRECTOR OF A  
MAGAZINE WHICH REFLECTED THE PEOPLES' THOUGHTS, NOT ONLY IN EL  
SALVADOR BUT ALSO IN THE REST OF CENTRAL AMERICA. NONE OF THESE  
PRIESTS BELONGED TO THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT  
((FMLN)). FURTHERMORE, ELLACURIA HIMSELF ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS  
EXPRESSED OPINIONS WHICH DID NOT CONCUR WITH THOSE OF THE FMLN.  
HOWEVER, HE FELT THAT A SOLUTION TO THE SALVADORAN PROBLEM COULD  
NOT EXCLUDE THE PEOPLE'S INCLUSION OF THE FMLN. THE ASSASSINS  
WHO ACTED UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE CURFEW ARE FROM THE  
SALVADORAN ARMY, THEY ARE NOT UNIDENTIFIED TERRORISTS, LIKE THE  
AP CABLE SAYS. THEY ARE ASSASSINS OF THE SALVADORAN ARMY, THE  
SAME ARMY WHICH HAS ALL THE SUPPORT OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. IN  
THIS, WE CAN ALSO SEE THE DOUBLE STANDARD OF THE BUSH  
ADMINISTRATION. ON THE ONE HAND, ALL ITS PUBLICITY APPARATUS  
SAYS TO THE WORLD THAT WASHINGTON IS IN FAVOR OF DEMOCRACY AND  
RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. HOWEVER, IN PRACTICE, IT SUPPORTS THE  
ASSASSINS OF PRIESTS AND SUPPLIES BOMBS AND ROCKETS SO THAT THE  
SALVADORAN ARMY -- WHICH HAS PLANES AND HELICOPTERS PROVIDED BY

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THE UNITED STATES -- CAN BOMB THE SALVADORAN CIVILIAN POPULATION.  
THESE ARE THE FACTS. THIS IS THE TRUTH THAT YANKEE PROPAGANDA  
IS HIDING AND MANIPULATING.

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SERIAL: PA1711211489

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: TAKE 1 OF 2 -- VILLALOBOS COMMENTS ON KILLING OF JESUITS

REF: PA1711172089 FYI -- FMLN'S VILLALOBOS INTERVIEW (1)

SOURCE: (CLANDESTINE) CADENA REVOLUCIONARIA NACIONAL IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR 1637 GMT 17 NOV 89

TEXT:

//((REPORT ON INTERVIEW WITH JOAQUIN VILLALOBOS, MEMBER OF THE GENERAL COMMAND OF THE PARABUNDO MANTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN); DATE AND PLACE NOT GIVEN))

((TEXT)) ((REPORTER)) COMRADE VILLALOBOS REFERRED TO THE BOMBINGS AND THE KILLING OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS. THIS IS THE QUESTION HE WAS ASKED: IN THE PAST FEW HOURS, SEVERAL GOVERNMENTS AND HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS HAVE PRESSURED THE GOVERNMENT TO STOP THE BOMBINGS AND THE BLOODSHED IN OUR HOMELAND. HOWEVER, DESPITE THIS INTERNATIONAL PRESSURE, THE JESUIT PRIESTS WERE KILLED IN SAN SALVADOR. THEREFORE, WHAT IS THE INTENTION BEHIND THE BOMBINGS? WHAT INTENTION DID THE ARMED FORCES' GENERAL STAFF HAVE IN KILLING THE JESUITS? COMMANDER VILLALOBOS REPLIED:

((BEGIN VILLALOBOS RECORDING)) FIRST, IT MUST BE SAID THAT THE KILLING OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS BY THE CRISTIANI GOVERNMENT WAS A HARSH BLOW TO THE POSSIBILITIES FOR AN EFFECTIVE DEMOCRACY IN OUR COUNTRY. THE JESUIT PRIESTS ARE A SECTOR OF SALVADORAN SOCIETY THAT HAS MADE AND CONTINUES TO MAKE GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR PEOPLE'S EDUCATION. THEY TAUGHT US HOW TO DEBATE, THE NEED TO REASON THINGS OUT, AND THE NEED TO HAVE POLITICAL PLURALISM.

HOWEVER, IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE SALVADORAN ARMED FORCES, THE ((WORD INDISTINCT)) SECTORS, AND MR. CRISTIANI CANNOT STAND INTELLIGENT PEOPLE, THE DEBATES, THE ANALYSES, AND THE PEOPLE'S REASONING. THIS IS WHY THEY COMMITTED THIS CRIME.

THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS CRIME BECOMES EVIDENT, NOT ONLY BASED ON DIRECT CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS THE FACT THAT IT WAS CARRIED OUT BY UNIFORMED MEN DURING THE CURFEW PERIOD AND THAT A FEW DAYS BEFORE THE CRIME A GROUP OF MILITARY MEN CHECKED OUT THE PLACE WHERE THEY WERE GOING TO COMMIT THE CRIME -- CLEARLY INTENDING TO PREPARE A PLAN -- BUT BECAUSE OF ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THE JESUITS MADE OVER THE NATIONAL NETWORK. WE MUST ALSO BEAR IN MIND THAT THIS CRIME WAS A POLITICAL MISTAKE MADE BY THE DICTATORSHIP. IT WAS A MISCALCULATION ON THE PART OF THOSE WHO MADE THAT DECISION.

WE HAVE ALREADY MENTIONED THAT THE ARMED FORCES HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO STOP THE FMLN. THEY COULD NOT STOP THE FMLN PLAN. ONCE WE BEGAN TO IMPLEMENT THE PLAN ((1-SECOND BREAK IN RECEPTION)) A VERY CRITICAL SITUATION.

WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THIS CRITICAL SITUATION, THEY TOOK THE WRONG STEP. THE DAY BEFORE THE CRIME THE ARMED FORCES BEGAN A STRATEGY TO WEAR OUT THE FMLN, LOGISTICALLY. WE MUST NOT IGNORE THE FACT THAT THE ARMED FORCES' CALCULATIONS WERE BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE FMLN FORCES WOULD BECOME EXHAUSTED. WE WOULD

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HAVE MADE A SERIOUS MISTAKE IF WE HAD BEGUN THIS PLAN WITHOUT FORESEEING ALL THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. HOWEVER, THE ARMED FORCES BASED THEIR CALCULATIONS ON OUR POSSIBLE EXHAUSTION.

CONSEQUENTLY, BASED ON THOSE CALCULATIONS, THEY FIGURED THAT THEY HAD 3 OR 4 DAYS TO LAUNCH A COUNTERATTACK. SO, THE DAY PRIOR TO THE KILLING OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS, THEY LAUNCHED SEVERAL OFFENSIVES -- I RATHER CALL THEM COUNTEROFFENSIVES -- TO TRY TO DISLODGE US FROM OUR POSITIONS. THEIR TACTIC WAS TO MAKE US WASTE AMMUNITION. THEY WERE NOT REALLY TRYING TO MAKE US ABANDON OUR POSITIONS YET.

HOWEVER, OUR FIGHTERS, IN ADDITION TO SAVING OUR AMMUNITION, HAVE THE MATERIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES SO THEY INFLICTED MANY CASUALTIES ON THE ARMED FORCES AND WORE THEM OUT. BUT IT SEEMS THAT THE ARMED FORCES DID NOT REALIZE THAT AND FELT THAT THEY COULD LAUNCH A BIG COUNTERATTACK TO ANNILATE THE FMLN FORCES. BASED ON THAT, THEY CAME UP WITH A PLAN THAT WAS NOT ONLY MILITARY BUT POLITICAL.

((WORDS INDISTINCT)) THE U.S. AMBASSADOR, THE U.S. ADVISERS, THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION, AND WHO KNOWS WHO ELSE WERE INFORMED ABOUT THIS PLAN. THEY MADE THE WRONG INTERPRETATION OF THE CALLS MADE BY THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AND OTHER HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS ON THE NEED TO HAVE A TRUCE TO EVACUATE CIVILIANS. THEY THOUGHT THAT WE MADE THESE CALLS AND BASED ON THAT, THEY FELT THAT THEY COULD PROCEED TO A COUNTEROFFENSIVE.

BASED ON THAT, LET US ANALYZE THE PROPAGANDA AND INFORMATION DISSEMINATED ON THE DAY PRIOR TO THE KILLING OF THE JESUITS. THE U.S. AMBASSADOR HIMSELF EXPLAINED A WAR REPORT AND GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE SITUATION. THUS, THEY THOUGHT THAT THE FMLN WAS GOING TO SUFFER A GREAT POLITICAL AND MILITARY DEFEAT IN THE NEXT FEW HOURS. THEY HAD AN OVERALL PLAN.

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COUNTRY: CUBA  
SUBJ: ECUMENICAL COUNCIL CONDEMNS KILLING OF JESUITS  
REF: PA1711214289 HAVANA CITY ACAN SPANISH 172011 --  
ARCHBISHOP COMMENTS ON MURDER OF PRIEST  
SOURCE: HAVANA RADIO REBELDE NETWORK IN SPANISH 0055 GNT 18 NOV  
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TEXT:

((TEXT)) THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF CUBA JOINS IN WITH ALL INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND FIGURES WHO HAVE VOICED THEIR CONDEMNATION REPUDIATING THE KILLING OF IGNACIO ELLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY BASED IN EL SALVADOR, VICE RECTOR ARMANDO LOPEZ, FOUR JESUIT PRIESTS, AND TWO DOMESTIC EMPLOYEES. IN A STATEMENT RELEASED IN HAVANA TODAY, THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF CUBA ASSERTED IT IS NOT DIFFICULT TO SEE THAT THE MATERIAL AUTHORS OF THIS TERRIBLE CRIME WERE INSTIGATED BY THE SAME ONES WHO KILLED ARCHBISHOP MONSIGNOR ANSELMO ROMERO.

IN THE MEAN TIME, OAS SECRETARY GENERAL JOAO SAENA SOARES WILL ARRIVE IN EL SALVADOR TOMORROW TO ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH A DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE FORCES IN CONFLICT IN THE CENTRAL AMERICAN NATION. SAENA SOARES STATED TO THE PRESS IN WASHINGTON THAT HIS PEACE MISSION WAS A MANDATE OF THE OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN LIGHT OF THE WORSENING OF THE WAR BETWEEN THE SALVADORAN ULTRA-RIGHTIST GOVERNMENT AND THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT. (ENDALL) 180055 DER/ /ZK 17/0188Z NOV EN221811.002

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SUBJ: CRISTIANI PROMISES INVESTIGATION INTO ASSASSINATIONS  
REF: PA1711002889 PANAMA CITY ACAN SPANISH 162346 -- CRISTIANI  
CONDENSES KILLING OF JESUITS, ORDERS INVESTIGATION  
SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SERVICE IN SPANISH 0338 GXT 18 NOV 89  
TEXT:

//((STATEMENT BY SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI IN SAN  
SALVADOR; DATE NOT GIVEN -- RECORDED))

((TEXT)) SALVADORAN PEOPLE: WE HAVE POWERFUL REASONS FOR  
ENSURING THAT JUSTICE WILL BE SERVED IN THIS REGRETTABLE INCIDENT IN  
WHICH FATHER ELLACURIA, OTHER PRIESTS, AND CIVILIANS WERE KILLED. WE  
WANT TO TELL THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO DRAW PREMATURE CONCLUSIONS TO  
ABSTAIN FROM DOING SO; WE URGE YOU TO HEED THE COMMUNITY OF JESUS AND  
THE ARCHBISHOPRIC OF SAN SALVADOR'S CALLS THAT THIS CASE NOT BE  
POLITICIZED OR USED TO GENERATE FURTHER VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRY.

WE BELIEVE THAT AN INVESTIGATION MUST BE CONDUCTED; WE ARE  
COMMITTED TO CONDUCTING AN IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION TO PUNISH THE  
PERPETRATORS OF THIS SAVAGE ACTION REGARDLESS OF WHO IS INVOLVED.  
THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC WILL  
REQUEST HELP TO ENSURE THAT THE SALVADORAN CRIME INVESTIGATION  
COMMISSION WILL BE ADVISED BY EXPERTS IN ORDER TO GET TO THE ROOT OF  
THIS REGRETTABLE INCIDENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. WE WILL ASK THE  
UNITED STATES, GREAT BRITAIN, AND SPAIN TO HELP US. I MENTION SPAIN  
BECAUSE SOME OF THOSE WHO WERE ASSASSINATED ARE CITIZENS OF THAT  
COUNTRY.

SALVADORAN PEOPLE: WE BELIEVE THAT THE TIME HAS COME TO CONDUCT  
AN INVESTIGATION AND ENSURE THAT JUSTICE IS SERVED IN REPREHENSIBLE  
ACTIONS LIKE THIS ONE INSTEAD OF POLITICIZING THEM AND GENERATING  
FURTHER VIOLENCE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND THE ARMED FORCES WILL NEVER  
ALLOW A RETURN TO THE PAST; A RETURN TO THOSE DRAKATIC AND  
REGRETTABLE TIMES IN THE COUNTRY WHEN GROUPS WANTED TO FUTURE THEIR  
CAUSE THROUGH VIOLENT ACTS SUCH AS THIS ONE. WE WILL NOT ALLOW THIS  
TO HAPPEN AND WILL PURSUE SUCH GROUPS TO ENSURE THAT THEY FEEL THE  
FULL FORCE OF THE LAW.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: CRISTIANI ON MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN KILLINGS

REF: PA1911023289 PANAMA CITY ACAN SPANISH 190032 -- MORE ON MEETING BETWEEN SPANISH OFFICIAL, CRISTIANI

SOURCE: MADRID EFE IN SPANISH 1312 GMT 19 NOV 89

TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 19 NOV (EFE) -- SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI STATED TODAY THAT THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND "DOES NOT DISMISS" THE POSSIBILITY THAT THOSE WHO INSTIGATED THE ASSASSINATION OF THE SIX JESUITS ON 16 NOVEMBER COULD HAVE BEEN MILITARY.

"THE HIGH COMMAND MEMBERS DO NOT DISMISS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE PERPETRATORS COULD BEEN ARMY MEMBERS, AND ARE READY TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF THINGS SO THAT THEY WILL BE PUNISHED," THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT SAID IN STATEMENTS TO EFE AND OTHER MEDIA.

CRISTIANI, WHO INSISTED ON THE NECESSITY OF "NOT JUMPING TO HASTY CONCLUSIONS," ADDED THAT "THE ARMED FORCES DO NOT WANT THE INSTITUTE, PER SE, TO SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES OF WHAT ITS MEMBERS DO AS INDIVIDUALS."

ON 16 NOVEMBER SIX JESUIT PRIESTS, FIVE OF THEM SPANIARDS, WERE ASSASSINATED BY UNIFORMED MEN WHO MACHINEGUNNED THEM IN THEIR RESIDENCE THAT MORNING, WHILE A RIGID CURFEW WAS IN EFFECT IN EL SALVADOR.

THE JESUITS, WHO HAD LIVED IN EL SALVADOR FOR MANY YEARS, WERE STANCH CRITICS OF THE MILITARY REGIME AND OF THE EXTREME RIGHTIST SECTORS OF THE COUNTRY.

ACCORDING TO CRISTIANI, "THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND, OF WHICH THE PRESIDENT IS A PART, ARE TOTALLY DETERMINED TO INVESTIGATE AND CLEAR UP THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUITS."

INTERVIEWED SHORTLY AFTER MEETING WITH INOCENCIO ARIAS, SPANISH UNDER SECRETARY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, CRISTIANI ASKED THAT SPAIN, THE UNITED STATES, AND GREAT BRITAIN PARTICIPATE IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION "BY SENDING EXPERTS."

THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT DESCRIBED THE ATTITUDE OF THOSE PERSONS IN THE UNITED STATES WHO HAVE HINTED AT THE POSSIBILITY OF SUSPENDING THE \$1 MILLION DAILY AID GIVEN TO EL SALVADOR AS "VERY SIMPLISTIC."

"I TRUST THAT THIS WILL NOT BE SO AND I HAVE INFORMATION THAT THE LARGE MAJORITY OF U.S. POLITICAL LEADERS DO NOT FEEL THAT WAY," THE PRESIDENT ADDED.

THUS FAR, THE AUTOPSIES PERFORMED ON THE JESUITS BY THREE U.S. PATHOLOGISTS "ARE NOT CONCLUSIVE IN DETERMINING GUILT," THE PRESIDENT ADDED.

CRISTIANI HAD WORDS OF PRAISE FOR IGNACIO ELLACURIA, ONE OF THE JESUITS KILLED, "WHO HAD BECOME A CONSTRUCTIVE OPPOSER OF THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT," ACCORDING TO HIM.

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THE SALVADORAN TELEVISION, WHICH HAS BEEN STATE-CONTROLLED SINCE THE GUERRILLA OFFENSIVE WAS UNLEASHED 1 WEEK AGO, CARRIED SOME CLIPS OF ELLACURIA IN WHICH HE REQUESTED APPLAUSE FOR CRISTIANI AT AN EVENT HELD SOME MONTHS AGO IN THE UNIVERSITY OF EL SALVADOR.

SOME SALVADORAN RIGHTIST SECTORS HAVE PUBLICLY ACCUSED THE PARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN) GUERRILLAS OF BEING BEHIND THE JESUITS' KILLING.

ELLACURIA TOLD EFE, 4 DAYS BEFORE HE WAS KILLED, THAT CRISTIANI REPRESENTS "THE CIVILIAN SECTOR" OF THE RULING ARENA ((NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE) PARTY, IN CONTRAST WITH TWO OTHERS WHOM HE DESCRIBED AS "MILITARISTS" AND "DEATH SQUAD ORIENTED."

"ARENA, PER SE, HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH VIOLENT INCIDENTS," CRISTIANI SAID, COMMENTING ON ELLACURIA'S APPRAISAL AND ADDING THAT "OBVIOUSLY THERE ARE VIOLENT GROUPS IN THE COUNTRY, BUT THEY ARE NOT KNOWN TO THE GOVERNMENT OR TO ARENA."

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EL SALVADOR: COMMENTARY ON KILLING OF PRIESTS (TAKE 1 OF 3)  
PA2011231589 (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEDORES IN SPANISH TO EL  
SALVADOR 1325 GXT 20 NOV 89  
STATION COMMENTARY

TEXT HERE IS A VERY IMPORTANT POINT THAT U.S. AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER SHOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION. AMBASSADOR WALKER SEEMS TO BE A VERY BAD INVESTIGATOR, AS HE IS STILL IN THE DARK AS REGARDS THE COWARDLY MURDER OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS. AFTER THE FUNERAL OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS, THE U.S. AMBASSADOR STILL EXPRESSED DOUBTS REGARDING THE AUTHORS OF THIS CRIME.

WELL, WE HAVE RECEIVED A REPORT STATING THAT THE MURDERERS OF THE JESUITS FIRED MORE THAN 500 SHOTS AND STAYED IN THE RESIDENCE OF THE SLAIN PRIESTS FOR 1 HOUR. IN OTHER WORDS, 40 MEN IN THE UNIFORM OF THE SALVADORAN ARMY WERE A FEW BLOCKS FROM THE GENERAL STAFF PARTICIPATING IN SHOOTING THAT LASTED SEVERAL MINUTES, AND REMAINED IN THERE FOR 1 HOUR, IN AN AREA UNDER THE ARMY'S CONTROL, IN AN AREA UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE GENERAL STAFF.

WE HAVE A QUESTION FOR THE U.S. AMBASSADOR. HOW COULD 40 MEN IN SALVADORAN ARMED FORCES UNIFORMS, AND WITH POLICE AND ARMY PATROLS ONLY A FEW METERS AWAY FROM THE JESUITS' RESIDENCE, REMAIN IN THAT PLACE FOR 1 HOUR IF THEY WERE NOT MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES?

AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER, IF YOU STILL HAVE ANY SHAME, TELL THE WORLD AND ANSWER THIS QUESTION: IF THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF DID NOT KILL THE JESUIT PRIESTS, HOW COULD THE MURDERERS -- AS THIS INTERNATIONAL DISPATCH SAYS -- REMAIN IN THE RESIDENCE FOR 1 HOUR AFTER THE HEAVY SHOOTING, AFTER KILLING THE PRIESTS WITH MACHINEGUNS IN TRIPODS, AS THE CABLE SAYS?

WE WILL READ THIS DISPATCH WHICH IS BEING READ ALL OVER THE WORLD. MAYBE WILLIAM WALKER DOES NOT EVEN READ INTERNATIONAL DISPATCHES, BECAUSE HE CYNICALLY SAID AFTER THE PRIESTS' FUNERAL THAT HE HAD NO EVIDENCE OR INDICATION THAT THE CRIME WAS COMMITTED BY THE ARMED FORCES. WELL, AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER, WE WILL READ THIS DISPATCH TO YOU:

THE WORD INDISTINCT IN UNIFORM WHO KILLED SIX JESUIT PRIESTS AND TWO COMPANIONS IN SAN SALVADOR ON THURSDAY FIRED MORE THAN 500 SHOTS AND REMAINED AT THE SCENE OF THE CRIME FOR ALMOST 1 HOUR. WE REPEAT: THEY WERE IN THE PRIESTS' RESIDENCE FOR ALMOST 1 HOUR, ACCORDING TO PRIVATE INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED BY VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

A FEW HOURS BEFORE THE FUNERAL, THE SCENE OF THE CRIME REVEALS SOME OF THE CIRCUMSTANCES CONCERNING THE MACHINEGUNNING OF THE PRIESTS.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: TAKE 3 OF 3 -- COMMENTARY ON KILLING OF PRIESTS

REF: PA2011231889 (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS SPANISH TO EL  
SALVADOR 201325///COMMITTED THE CRIME.

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((TEXT)) AS WE SAID EARLIER, THERE ARE THREE POSITIONS. THIS PROVES THAT THERE ARE CONTRADICTIONS SURROUNDING THIS CASE. THERE IS WILLIAM WALKER, ACTING LIKE AN OSTRICH WITH HIS HEAD STUCK IN THE GROUND. AND THERE IS CRISTIANI'S POSITION -- THE DEATH SQUAD MEMBER WHO WEARS A TIE, WHO ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ((WORDS INDISTINCT)), AND WHO SAID THAT RASH JUDGMENT SHOULD NOT BE PASSED AND THAT NO ONE SHOULD BE IN A HURRY TO ACCUSE THE GOVERNMENT OR ANYONE ELSE. AND THERE IS ALSO THE GENERAL STAFF AND DEFENSE MINISTRY POSITION BLAMING THE FMLN. WHY? IF IT IS TRUE THAT THERE IS A CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT IN EL SALVADOR, THEN WHY CAN THE DEFENSE MINISTER APPEAR BEFORE THE TELEVISION CAMERAS CONTRADICTING CRISTIANI, GOING AGAINST WHAT CRISTIANI HAD SAID? WHO GIVES THE ORDERS HERE, LARIOS OR CRISTIANI? IF CRISTIANI GIVES THE ORDERS, THEN THE DEFENSE MINISTER MUST OBEY CRISTIANI AND REFRAIN FROM MAKING ACCUSATIONS BEFORE A SERIOUS INVESTIGATION IS HELD. HOWEVER, THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

THIS FURTHER PROVES WHAT WE HAVE BEEN SAYING. THE CIVILIAN MARK FELL ON SATURDAY. THE DEFENSE MINISTRY HOLDS THE REAL POWER IN THE COUNTRY. THE DEFENSE MINISTRY CENSORS THE PRESS. THE SOLDIERS ARE THE ONES CENSURING THE TELEVISION STATIONS, AND NOT THE ARENA ((NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE -- FRIS)) FOLLOWERS OR OTHER CIVILIANS. THE GENERAL STAFF, THE SOLDIERS, ARE GAGGING THE PRESS, IMPOSING THE STATE OF SIEGE, GIVING THE FINAL ORDERS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO LOOK INTO THIS CLOSELY BECAUSE GEN LARIOS, IN AN EMPTY SPEECH -- WE HEARD HIM DELIVER A RHETORICAL AND EMPTY SPEECH -- ACCUSED THE FMLN OF KILLING THE PRIESTS AND SAID THAT THE ARMY CONTROLS THE COUNTRY. WE POINT OUT THESE CONTRADICTIONS ((WORDS INDISTINCT)).

BY SAYING THAT THEY DID NOT DO IT, THAT THE ARMED FORCES DID NOT DO IT, THE DEFENSE MINISTER ADMITTED THAT HE DID IT, THAT HE IS ONE OF THE KILLERS. THAT IS WHAT GEN LARIOS IS SAYING, THAT IS WHAT HE SAID IN HIS PUBLIC STATEMENT. ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) NO DOUBT, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS ((WORDS INDISTINCT)). WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S INVESTIGATIONS BECAUSE WE HAVE PAST EXAMPLES OF IT. WE HAVE ROMERO'S CASE AND WE HAVE THE CASE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRATIC FRONT LEADERS, WHO, A FEW YEARS AGO, WERE ARRESTED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT DURING A POLICE OPERATION. HOWEVER, NOT A SINGLE SOLDIER HAS BEEN PUNISHED. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN CRISTIANI'S JUSTICE. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS PUTTING ON THE PRESSURE AND CRISTIANI WILL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING. HE WILL PROBABLY PUT UP SOME ACT. THE U.S. CONGRESS ALSO HAS ITS EYES ON EL SALVADOR. THEY ARE DEBATING THE ISSUE OF AID TO EL SALVADOR. THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE

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THE U.S. CONGRESS MUST THINK ABOUT. THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE SAID THAT IT IS PLEASED WITH THE WAY CRISTIANI ACTED IN THE FACE OF THE FMLN OFFENSIVE. THIS MEANS THAT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS APPROVED THE DROPPING OF WHITE PHOSPHORUS OVER SACANIL AND THE DESTRUCTION OF 500 HOMES. THIS MEANS THAT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS APPROVED THE KILLING OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS, AND ALSO THE MASSACRE OF SEVERAL SALVADORAN CITIZENS WHO WERE TAKEN FROM THEIR HOMES AND KILLED ON THE SAME BLACK NIGHT WHEN THE JESUIT PRIESTS WERE KILLED.

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EL SALVADOR: COMMENTARY ON KILLING OF PRIESTS (TAKE 2 OF 3--005)

///OF THE PRIESTS.

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TEXT A FRIEND OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS, THE FIRST TO ARRIVE ON THE SCENE, SAID THAT HE COUNTED SOME 300 OR 500 BULLET HOLES. HE SAID THAT THESE SHOTS WERE FIRED FROM SOME DISTANCE, WITH A MACHINEGUN SET UP ON A TRIPOD. THE PRIESTS WERE ALSO LATER SHOT IN A GARDEN NEARBY. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION THAT THE SOCIETY OF JESUS RECEIVED FOLLOWING THEIR OWN RECONSTRUCTION OF THE CRIME, WHICH THEY HAVE RELEASED TO THE AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATING THE CASE, THE KILLERS, APPROXIMATELY 30 MEN IN UNIFORM, ARRIVED SHORTLY BEFORE 0230. THEY MACHINEGUNNED THE HOUSE BEFORE ENTERING, DRAGGED THE PRIESTS OUT, PUT THEM IN FRONT OF A WALL THAT IS STILL STAINED WITH BLOOD, AND SHOT THEM. THE PRIESTS WERE ALSO SHOT IN THE HEAD WITH A LONG-RANGE WEAPON; THESE SHOTS WERE FIRED FROM SOME DISTANCE. A LAWYER, HELPING IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THIS CASE AND WHO HAS ASKED TO REMAIN UNIDENTIFIED, SAID THAT THIS WAS DETERMINED BECAUSE THERE WERE NO GUNPOWDER MARKS ON THE VICTIMS.

AT THE TIME THE CRIME WAS CARRIED OUT, A CURFEW WAS BEING OBSERVED THROUGHOUT THE CITY. WORDS INDISTINCT AND THE HOUSE WHERE THE PRIESTS LIVED WAS SURROUNDED BY SOLDIERS. TOGETHER WITH THIS INFORMATION, GATHERED BY SEVERAL INSTITUTIONS AND PROMINENT PERSONS TO PROVE THAT THE MURDER WAS CARRIED OUT BY SOLDIERS, WE MUST STRESS THAT THE HOUSE WAS ALSO SEARCHED BY THE SOLDIERS 2 DAYS BEFORE THE CRIME WAS COMMITTED. A JESUIT PRIEST WHO WAS DESCRIBING THE SCENE SAID THAT ONLY THE AREA PREVIOUSLY SEARCHED BY THE SOLDIERS WAS DESTROYED. HE SAID THAT THE LIBRARY WAS BURNED AND THE ROOMS HAD BEEN RANSACKED. ACCORDING TO THE PRIEST, \$5,000 THAT FATHER IGNACIO ELLACURIA HAD RECEIVED IN BARCELONA -- PART OF AN AWARD GIVEN THE UNIVERSITY -- WERE TAKEN FROM ONE OF THE ROOMS.

THE USE OF LONG-RANGE WEAPONS WOULD ALSO EXPLAIN WHY THE BRAINS OF THE DEAD WERE SCATTERED ABOUT. THIS WAS SEEN BY THE FIRST PERSONS WHO ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. OTHERS SAID THAT THE BODIES WERE DESTROYED BECAUSE AK-47 AND M-16 ASSAULT RIFLES WERE USED IN THE ATTACK. THE BODIES WERE SO UTTERLY DESTROYED THAT ENBALMING WAS NOT POSSIBLE. THIS WAS REPORTED TO ACAM-EYE BY SOCIETY OF JESUS SUPERIOR JOSE MARIA TOJEIRA.

REGARDING THE TWO MURDERED WOMEN, THE COOK ELBA JULIA RANOS AND HER 15-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER MARISOLA, ALL INDICATES THAT THEY WERE MACHINEGUNNED IN THE SMALL ROOM WHERE THEY SLEPT. THERE WAS SO MUCH BLOOD THAT IT SEEPED UNDER THE DOOR, AND A VERTEBRA AND PIECES OF A SKULL CAN STILL BE SEEN UNDER A SOFA IN THE SMALL ROOM. THE PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS SEEM TO INDICATE THAT THE VICTIMS WERE NOT TORTURED AS EARLIER REPORTS HAD STATED.

MEANWHILE, SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI REPORTEDLY SAID YESTERDAY THAT THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND HAS NOT RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE KILLERS OF THE SIX JESUIT PRIESTS COULD HAVE BEEN SOLDIERS. THEY HAVE NOT RULED OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT

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SOLDIERS COULD HAVE KILLED THE PRIESTS, AND THEY ARE DETERMINED TO INVESTIGATE THE INCIDENT AND PUNISH THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES. THIS WAS SAID BY THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT IN STATEMENTS TO ACAN-EYE AND OTHER FOREIGN NEWS AGENCIES. CRISTIANI, WHO INSISTED ON THE NEED TO AVOID UNFOUNDED CONCLUSIONS, ADDED THAT THE MILITARY DOES NOT THINK IT WILL BE AFFECTED BY SOMETHING DONE BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE INSTITUTION.

WE CAN CLEARLY SEE NOW THAT THERE ARE SOME CONTRADICTIONS. AT THIS MOMENT THERE ARE THREE POSITIONS. THERE IS THE POSITION OF U.S. AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER -- HE IS LIKE AN OSTRICH WITH ITS HEAD BURIED IN THE SAND. THERE IS PROOF THAT RULES OUT ALL DOUBT. HOW CAN 40 MEN IN UNIFORM BE IN A MILITARIZED AREA FOR 60 MINUTES AND NOT HEAR SHOTS BEING FIRED AND BOMBS EXPLODING? WHY DID THE ARMY NOT SEND IN TROOPS TO FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED ONLY A FEW BLOCKS FROM COLONEL RENE EMILIO PONCE'S OFFICE? THE 40 MEN WERE IN THE AREA FOR A WHOLE HOUR. THEY HAD ALREADY SEARCHED FATHER ELLACURIA'S HOME.

OUR QUESTION FOR WILLIAM WALKER: IF THIS WAS NOT DONE BY THE ARMED FORCES, THEN WHY WERE THEY THERE SEARCHING THE PREMISES FOR A WHOLE HOUR AND EVEN STEALING \$5,000? THEY SEARCHED DRAWER BY DRAWER. THE DISORDER THEY LEFT BEHIND WAS QUITE EVIDENT IN THE CLIPS SHOWN ON TELEVISION. THEY SEARCHED THE AREA FOR AN HOUR TO SEE WHAT THEY, THE MURDERERS, COULD FIND TO STEAL. HOWEVER, AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER SAYS THAT HE DOES NOT KNOW IF THE ARMY COMMITTED THE CRIME.

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///COMMITTED THE CRIME.  
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TEXT AS WE SAID EARLIER, THERE ARE THREE POSITIONS. THIS PROVES THAT THERE ARE CONTRADICTIONS SURROUNDING THIS CASE. THERE IS WILLIAM WALKER, ACTING LIKE AN OSTRICH WITH HIS HEAD STUCK IN THE GROUND. AND THERE IS CRISTIANI'S POSITION -- THE DEATH SQUAD MEMBER WHO WEARS A TIE, WHO WORDS INDISTINCT AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WORDS INDISTINCT, AND WHO SAID THAT RASH JUDGMENT SHOULD NOT BE PASSED AND THAT NO ONE SHOULD BE IN A HURRY TO ACCUSE THE GOVERNMENT OR ANYONE ELSE. AND THERE IS ALSO THE GENERAL STAFF AND DEFENSE MINISTRY POSITION BLAMING THE FMLN. WHY? IF IT IS TRUE THAT THERE IS A CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT IN EL SALVADOR, THEN WHY CAN THE DEFENSE MINISTER APPEAR BEFORE THE TELEVISION CAMERAS CONTRADICTING CRISTIANI, GOING AGAINST WHAT CRISTIANI HAD SAID? WHO GIVES THE ORDERS HERE, LARIOS OR CRISTIANI? IF CRISTIANI GIVES THE ORDERS, THEN THE DEFENSE MINISTER MUST OBEY CRISTIANI AND REFRAIN FROM MAKING ACCUSATIONS BEFORE A SERIOUS INVESTIGATION IS HELD. HOWEVER, THIS IS NOT THE CASE.

THIS FURTHER PROVES WHAT WE HAVE BEEN SAYING. THE CIVILIAN MASK FELL ON SATURDAY. THE DEFENSE MINISTRY HOLDS THE REAL POWER IN THE COUNTRY. THE DEFENSE MINISTRY CENSORS THE PRESS. THE SOLDIERS ARE THE ONES CENSURING THE TELEVISION STATIONS, AND NOT THE ARENA NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE -- FBIS FOLLOWERS OR OTHER CIVILIANS. THE GENERAL STAFF, THE SOLDIERS, ARE GAGGING THE PRESS, IMPOSING THE STATE OF SIEGE, GIVING THE FINAL ORDERS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO LOOK INTO THIS CLOSELY BECAUSE GEN LARIOS, IN AN EMPTY SPEECH -- WE HEARD HIM DELIVER A RHETORICAL AND EMPTY SPEECH -- ACCUSED THE FMLN OF KILLING THE PRIESTS AND SAID THAT THE ARMY CONTROLS THE COUNTRY. WE POINT OUT THESE CONTRADICTIONS WORDS INDISTINCT.

BY SAYING THAT THEY DID NOT DO IT, THAT THE ARMED FORCES DID NOT DO IT, THE DEFENSE MINISTER ADMITTED THAT HE DID IT, THAT HE IS ONE OF THE KILLERS. THAT IS WHAT GEN LARIOS IS SAYING, THAT IS WHAT HE SAID IN HIS PUBLIC STATEMENT. WORDS INDISTINCT NO DOUBT, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS WORDS INDISTINCT. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S INVESTIGATIONS BECAUSE WE HAVE PAST EXAMPLES OF IT. WE HAVE MONSIGNOR ROMERO'S CASE AND WE HAVE THE CASE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRATIC FRONT LEADERS, WHO, A FEW YEARS AGO, WERE ARRESTED IN BROAD DAYLIGHT DURING A POLICE OPERATION. HOWEVER, NOT A SINGLE SOLDIER HAS BEEN PUNISHED. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN CRISTIANI'S JUSTICE. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS PUTTING ON THE PRESSURE AND CRISTIANI WILL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING. HE WILL PROBABLY PUT UP SOME ACT. THE U.S. CONGRESS ALSO HAS ITS EYES ON EL SALVADOR. THEY ARE DEBATING THE ISSUE OF AID TO EL SALVADOR. THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE THE U.S. CONGRESS MUST THINK ABOUT. THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE SAID THAT IT IS PLEASED WITH THE WAY CRISTIANI ACTED IN THE FACE OF THE FMLN OFFENSIVE. THIS MEANS THAT THE U.S.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS APPROVED THE DROPPING OF WHITE PHOSPHORUS  
OVER SACAMIL AND THE DESTRUCTION OF 800 HOMES. THIS MEANS THAT THE  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS APPROVED THE KILLING OF THE JESUIT  
PRIESTS, AND ALSO THE MASSACRE OF SEVERAL SALVADORAN CITIZENS WHO  
WERE TAKEN FROM THEIR HOMES AND KILLED ON THE SAME BLACK NIGHT WHEN  
THE JESUIT PRIESTS WERE KILLED.

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SERIAL: PA2311173889

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: TAKE 1 OF 2 -- JESUIT LEADER ON KILLING OF PRIESTS

SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 1840 GNT 23 NOV 89

TEXT:

//((BY ANTONIO MARTINEZ))

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 23 NOV (ACAN - EFE) -- ONE WEEK AFTER THE KILLING OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS, JOSE MARIA TOJEIRA, PROVINCIAL OF THE JESUIT ORDER, HAS INSISTED THAT "THERE IS STRONG PRESUMPTION" THAT THE MURDERERS ARE MILITARY MEN OR PERSONS LINKED TO THE MILITARY. TOJEIRA SAID THAT HE TRUSTS THE STATEMENT THAT A WITNESS WILL MAKE THAT WILL CLARIFY THE CRIME.

TOJEIRA, JESUIT PROVINCIAL FOR CENTRAL AMERICA, 42, AND A SPANISH CITIZEN LIKE THE FIVE PRIESTS WHO WERE MURDERED, SAID TODAY THAT HE ECHOES THE STATEMENTS MADE BY SAN SALVADOR ARCHBISHOP ARTURO RIVERA Y DANAS THAT "THERE IS A STRONG PRESUMPTION THAT THE MURDERERS ARE ARMED FORCES MEMBERS OR PEOPLE CLOSELY LINKED TO THEM."

DURING A MEETING WITH CORRESPONDENTS AT THE JESUIT CURIA IN SAN SALVADOR, LOCATED 100 METERS FROM THE HOUSE WHERE HIS SIX COLLEAGUES WERE KILLED EARLY IN THE MORNING ON 16 NOVEMBER, TOJEIRA SAID HE TRUSTS THE AUTHORITIES HAVE "ALREADY LISTENED TO THE STATEMENT OF AN IMPORTANT WITNESS IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THE CRIME."

TOJEIRA REFUSED TO IDENTIFY THE WITNESS FOR SECURITY REASONS.

TOJEIRA ADDED: "I DO NOT WANT TO GIVE DETAILS. THE WITNESS REQUESTED DISCRETION. EVIDENTLY, AFTER THAT WITNESS MAKES HIS STATEMENT, WE WILL AT LEAST KNOW WHEN IT HAPPENED, THE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND HOW IT HAPPENED. HE IS THE ONLY ONE WHO SAW SOMETHING, NOT EVERYTHING THOUGH. UP UNTIL NOW, WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO FIND A WITNESS THAT CAN SAY, I SAW HOW THEY KILLED THEM. SOME, HOWEVER, SAW OR HEARD INCIDENTAL THINGS THAT COULD HELP CLARIFY THE ORIGIN OF THE CRIME."

ACCORDING TO TOJEIRA, "THERE IS OTHER IMPORTANT DATA IN THE TRACES THAT THOSE PEOPLE (THE MURDERERS) LEFT BEHIND. A VERY USEFUL CLUE IS THE TYPE OF HEAVY WEAPONRY THEY USED. THEY NOT ONLY USED RIFLES, BUT ALSO MORE SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS. THE ANALYSIS OF THAT ARMAMENT'S RESIDUAL MATERIAL WILL BE CONDUCTED BY FOREIGN EXPERTS, INCLUDING SPANISH ONES."

TOJEIRA ASSERTS THAT THE 70 JESUITS LEFT IN EL SALVADOR, 37 STUDENTS AND THE REST ADULTS, ARE "VERY GRIEVED, BUT NOT DISHEARTED; AFRAID, BUT NOT SCARED STIFF."

TOJEIRA STRESSED: "THE ONLY WAY TO DEFEAT FEAR IS TO STRUGGLE AGAINST THOSE WHO NOW FEAR, AND WE ARE WILLING TO DO THAT."

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SERIAL: PA2311174489  
COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR  
SUBJ: TAKE 2 OF 2 -- JESUIT LEADER ON KILLING OF PRIESTS  
REF: PA2311173889 PANAMA CITY ACAM SPANISH 231840///TO DO THAT."  
TEXT:

((TEXT)) WHEN ASKED HOW THEY WILL CARRY OUT THAT STRUGGLE, HE SAID "BY ALWAYS SAYING THE TRUTH, ABOVE ALL THE TRUTH ABOUT THIS COUNTRY, WHICH NEEDS MUCH CLARIFICATION."

HE ADDED: "ANY COUNTRY FACING A CIVIL WAR IS EXPOSED TO MANY EQUIVOCATIONS, LIES, AND POLITICAL GAMES. THEREFORE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE INSTITUTIONS THAT WILL TRY TO SAY THE TRUTH FROM AN INDEPENDENT POSITION. THAT IS WHAT OUR FELLOW PRIESTS WERE DOING. I BELIEVE THAT IS WHY THEY WERE KILLED."

THE FIVE SPANISH AND ONE SALVADORAN JESUIT WHO WERE KILLED WERE DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (UCA). UCA DIRECTOR IGNACIO ELLACURIA, A WELL-KNOWN INTERNATIONAL PERSONALITY, WAS AMONG THE VICTIMS.

TOJEIRA SAID THAT THE MURDERS HAVE BEEN "A VERY HARD BLOW" FOR THE JESUIT ORDER, BECAUSE "IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO REPLACE THOSE PRIESTS, WHO HAD BEEN WORKING TOGETHER WITH GREAT EFFECTIVENESS FOR 18 TO 20 YEARS."

"IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT ALSO TO CREATE AS STRONG A LEADERSHIP AS THE ONE THAT EXISTED, AS WELL AS MAINTAINING THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRESENCE THAT THE JESUITS HAD ACQUIRED. IT HAS BEEN A HARD BLOW, INDEED. HOWEVER, THE UCA CAN BE THE SAME AGAIN IN 2 OR 3 YEARS," HE ADDED.

COMMENTING ON THE RECENT ARREST AND EXPULSION FROM EL SALVADOR OF FRANCISCO ANDUREZA, A SPANISH PRIEST OF THE DOMINICAN ORDER, TOJEIRA SAID THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THERE IS A "WITCH-HUNT" AGAINST PRIESTS IN EL SALVADOR. "WE DO NOT FEEL MORE THREATENED THAN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY'S POPULATION. MORE THAN WITCH-HUNTING, THERE IS A CLIMATE OF FEAR AND ALARM AMONG MANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, WHO ACT WITHOUT USING GOOD JUDGMENT, WITHOUT DIFFERENTIATING HUMANITARIAN WORK FROM SUPPORT FOR THE GUERRILLAS," TOJEIRA STRESSED.

AFTER THE PRIESTS WERE MURDERED, TWO JESUITS PRIESTS LEFT EL SALVADOR. TOJEIRA SAID THAT HE HAS RECOMMENDED OTHER PRIESTS TO DO THE SAME, "SO THAT THEY CAN RETURN WITH MORE ENERGY."

TOJEIRA ADMITTED THAT SOME SALVADORAN SECTORS BELIEVE THAT SOME PRIESTS HAVE LINKS WITH THE GUERRILLAS. HOWEVER, HE ADDED THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS THE CAUSE OF THE MURDERS. IN HIS OPINION, THEY WERE NOT KILLED BECAUSE THEY WERE SEEN AS OPPOSITION POLITICAL LEADERS, "BUT BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE FELT UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THE TRUTH THEY SAID."

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SERIAL: PA0401191080  
COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR  
SUBJ: PONCE PROVIDES LIST OF SOLDIERS NEAR SITE OF KILLINGS  
SOURCE: PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 1716 GXT 4 JAN 90  
TEXT:

((TEXT)) SAN SALVADOR, 4 JAN (ACAN - EFE) -- COLONEL RENE ENILIO PONCE, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF OF THE SALVADORAN ARMED FORCES, HAS PROVIDED THE LIST OF SOLDIERS WHO WERE IN SERVICE NEAR THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WHEN SIX JESUIT PRIESTS WERE ASSASSINATED TO A SALVADORAN COURT.

JUDICIAL SOURCES TODAY SAID THIS LIST IS INCLUDED IN A SWORN STATEMENT THAT COL PONCE GAVE TO THE SAN SALVADOR FOURTH CRIMINAL COURT. THE CONTENTS OF THE STATEMENT HAVE NOT BEEN RELEASED.

THE COURT IS INVESTIGATING THE MURDER OF ONE SALVADORAN AND FIVE SPANISH JESUITS EARLY ON 16 DECEMBER AT THEIR RESIDENCE AT THE UCA, WHEN AN ALL NIGHT CURFEW WAS IN FORCE IN EL SALVADOR.

OFFICIAL SOURCES HAVE INDICATED THAT THE STATEMENT IS IN RESPONSE TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH CHARGING THAT "MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ARE SUSPECTED OF HAVING PARTICIPATED IN THE DEATH OF THE PRIESTS."

SALVADORAN PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI SAID ON 3 JANUARY THAT THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE PRIESTS' ASSASSINATION, INCLUDING UCA RECTOR IGNACIO ELLACURIA, IS NOW "ALMOST TOTALLY FOCUSED INSIDE THE ARMED FORCES."

JUDICIAL SOURCES SAID TODAY THAT FIDEL CHAVES MENA, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (PDC), WILL ALSO BE CALLED TO TESTIFY AS A WITNESS AND AT THE REQUEST OF THE PROSECUTORS INVOLVED IN THE CASE.

ACCORDING TO A JUDICIAL SOURCE, THE PROSECUTORS HAVE ALSO ASKED GREGORIO ROSA CHAVEZ, AUXILIARY BISHOP OF SAN SALVADOR, TO SEND HIS SWORN STATEMENT, ALSO AS A WITNESS, CONCERNING THE MURDER OF THE PRIESTS.

IT WAS REPORTED THAT THE REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS FROM THE OPPOSITION POLITICAL LEADER AND THE AUXILIARY BISHOP IS DUE TO THEIR REMARKS ON THE INDIVIDUALS PRESUMABLY IMPLICATED IN THE CRIME.

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SERIAL: PM1601104690

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: R. ZANORA INTERVIEWED ON KILLING OF JESUIT PRIESTS

SOURCE: ROME LA REPUBBLICA IN ITALIAN 11 JAN 90 P 17

TEXT:

//((INTERVIEW WITH DEMOCRATIC CONVERGENCE LEADER RUBEN ZANORA BY ALESSANDRO OPPE; DATE, PLACE NOT GIVEN))

((EXCERPT)) ROME -- ((INTRODUCTORY PASSAGE OMITTED))

((OPPE)) THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT ((FMLN)) HAS DESCRIBED THE ARREST OF FIVE SOLDIERS ACCUSED OF COMMITTING THE MASSACRE ((OF SIX JESUIT PRIESTS -- FBIS)) AS "A MANIPULATED COVER OPERATION." BASICALLY CRISTIANI IS ALLEGED TO HAVE DECIDED TO PUNISH A NUMBER OF LOW-RANKING OFFICERS IN ORDER TO CLOSE THE CASE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE AND TO END INTERNATIONAL PRESSURES. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION IN THIS REGARD?

((ZANORA)) THE FACT THAT PRESIDENT CRISTIANI ACKNOWLEDGES THAT MEMBERS OF THE ARMY WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MASSACRE IS A FIRST STEP AND DEFINITELY A GOOD THING, BUT IT IS ENTIRELY INSUFFICIENT UNLESS THE SUBSEQUENT STEPS ARE ALSO TAKEN. FIRST, TO IDENTIFY WHO THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES WERE: THIS IS THE FIRST IMPORTANT POINT, BECAUSE NOBODY CAN FEEL SATISFIED IF ONLY LOW-RANKING OFFICERS ARE IDENTIFIED. SUCH AN ACT CAN ONLY HAVE BEEN ORDERED BY HIGH-RANKING OFFICERS. WE MUST NOT FORGET THE MURDER OF MONSIGNOR ROMERO, FOR WHICH THERE WERE NO SENTENCES AND NO TRIALS.

((OPPE)) HOWEVER, THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND IMMEDIATELY DENIED INVOLVEMENT IN THE OPERATION, STATING THAT IT WAS AN ISOLATED ACTION "DIVORCED FROM ANY INSTITUTIONAL POLICY."

((ZANORA)) I BELIEVE THIS IS ENTIRELY WRONG: THE MURDER OF THE JESUIT FATHERS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED AN ISOLATED ACTION. OVER 7,000 PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN EL SALVADOR DURING 10 YEARS OF CIVIL WAR, AND 90 PERCENT OF THEM WERE CIVILIANS. POLITICAL ASSASSINATION BY THE GOVERNMENT FORCES IS A CONSTANT PRACTICE. FURTHERMORE TORTURE IS REGULARLY PRACTISED IN EL SALVADOR. THE ARMY HIGH COMMAND CANNOT FAIL TO KNOW THIS. THEY CANNOT CLAIM TO BE INNOCENT, BECAUSE THEY HAVE THE GREATEST RESPONSIBILITIES FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS.

((OPPE)) YET LAST MONTH THE SUMMIT OF CENTRAL AMERICAN HEADS OF STATE IN SAN JOSE ENDED WITH A SUCCESS FOR PRESIDENT CRISTIANI, WHO SECURED AN EXPLICIT CONDEMNATION OF THE OFFENSIVE LAUNCHED BY THE GUERRILLAS IN NOVEMBER, WHEREAS NO SPECIFIC CHARGES WERE LEVELED AT THE GOVERNMENT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS.

((ZANORA)) THERE IS A POSITIVE FACTOR THAT SHOULD BE BORNE IN MIND, NAMELY, THE CALL FROM THE FIVE PRESIDENTS FOR A RESUMPTION OF THE DIALOGUE IN EL SALVADOR AND THE APPEAL TO THE UN SECRETARY GENERAL TO CARRY OUT MEDIATION TO THIS END. BUT IN THE SUMMIT'S FINAL DOCUMENT IT IS THE FMLN AND THE NICARAGUAN CONTRAS WHO PAY THE PRICE FOR THE AGREEMENT AMONG THE PRESIDENTS: THESE ARE DIPLOMATIC GAMES THAT DO NOT FACILITATE THE RESTORATION OF PEACE IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

((OPPE)) WHAT PATHS CAN BE TAKEN NOW TO ADVANCE THE

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NEGOTIATIONS?

((EAMORA)) NEGOTIATIONS ARE BECOMING INCREASINGLY NECESSARY. THE GUERRILLA OFFENSIVE SHOWS THAT THE FMLN IS A STRONG MILITARY FORCE, BUT ALSO THAT A REVOLUTIONARY ATTITUDE DOES NOT EXIST AMONG THE MASSES. IT ALSO SHOWS THAT THE GOVERNMENT ARMY, AFTER 10 YEARS OF U.S. TRAINING, IS AN ARMY WHOSE MILITARY STANCE IS DEFENSIVE, NOT OFFENSIVE (WHICH IS THE KEY TO U.S. MILITARY STRATEGY.) WHILE THIS ALL SHOWS THAT THERE CAN ONLY BE A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS, IT IS ALSO TRUE THAT PRECISELY FOLLOWING THE GUERRILLA OFFENSIVE (AND THIS IS THE PARADOX) THE ARMY STIFFENED ITS STANCE AGAINST NEGOTIATIONS. I BELIEVE THAT SOONER OR LATER COMMON SENSE WILL PREVAIL AND IT WILL SIT DOWN AT THE NEGOTIATING TABLE. AT THE END OF NOVEMBER THE U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE'S ASSISTANT FOR LATIN AMERICA SPOKE OFFICIALLY FOR THE FIRST TIME ABOUT THE NEED FOR NEGOTIATIONS TO RESOLVE THE CRISIS IN EL SALVADOR. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT SIGN OF A CHANGING SITUATION.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: TAKE 1 OF 2 -- REPORT ON CRISTIANI 'PLAN' IN JESUITS CASE

REF: PA1301231490 AND ADD SAN SALVADOR DOMESTIC SPANISH 132100

-- CRISTIANI NAMES SUSPECTS IN JESUIT CASE

SOURCE: (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCERENOS IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR  
0027 GMT 14 JAN 90

TEXT:

((TEXT)) ATTENTION, LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRESS, WE WILL NOW PRESENT A REPORT REVEALING CRISTIANI'S PLAN TO TRY TO COVER UP THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS.

AT NOON ON 11 JANUARY, WE CARRIED A REPORT ON THIS PLAN, AND 3 HOURS BEFORE ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) APPEARED ON A NATIONAL RADIO AND TELEVISION NETWORK. WE WILL NOW PRESENT A REPORT, WHICH -- WE REPEAT -- REVEALS CRISTIANI'S PLAN TO LET GO UNPUNISHED THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUIT PRIESTS. THIS IS A REPORT WE PRESENTED 3 HOURS BEFORE CRISTIANI APPEARED ON A RADIO AND TELEVISION NETWORK.

THE 72-HOUR DEADLINE SET BY ALFREDO CRISTIANI TO REVEAL THE NAMES OF THE MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO ASSASSINATED THE JESUIT PRIESTS AND THEIR TWO MAIDS HAS PASSED, AND EXTENSIVE INFORMATION HAS BEEN CIRCULATING AMONG DIPLOMATIC, POLITICAL, AND JOURNALISTIC CIRCLES ON THE VERSION THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO PRESENT. CRISTIANI WILL NOT REVEAL THE TRUTH. ALONG WITH LA TANDONA ((REFERENCE TO THE 1966 GRADUATING CLASS OF THE CAPTAIN GENERAL GERARDO BARRIOS MILITARY ACADEMY -- FBIS)), HE HAS DRAFTED A VERSION TO TRY TO CLEAR THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF COMMAND OF ALL RESPONSIBILITY AND TO PLACE THE BLAME FOR THIS AT THE LEVEL OF EXECUTIVE COMMAND.

CRISTIANI WILL TRY TO PRESENT THE ASSASSINATION OF THE PRIESTS AS BEING THE RESULT OF A CIRCUMSTANCIAL OPERATIONAL ERROR. ACCORDING TO THE VERSION DRAFTED BY THE ARMED FORCES GENERAL STAFF AND BY CRISTIANI, ON THE NIGHT OF 18 NOVEMBER, ATACATL BATTALION TROOPS HAD BEEN SENT TO THE UCA ((CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY -- FBIS)) TO CONDUCT A ROUTINE SEARCH. DURING THE OPERATION, A SOLDIER INCIDENTALLY BECAME INVOLVED IN A HEATED ARGUMENT WITH SALVADORAN PRIEST JOAQUIN LOPES LOPEZ, DURING WHICH HE SHOT THE PRIEST, KILLING HIM INSTANTLY.

ACCORDING TO THE STORY THE ARMY GENERAL STAFF AND CRISTIANI ARE PREPARING, THIS UNFORESEEN ACTION WOULD HAVE COMPLICATED THE ROUTINE SEARCH. THEREFORE, THE LEADER OF THE PATROL DECIDED TO ELIMINATE ALL THE PRIESTS AND THEIR TWO MAIDS SO AS NOT TO LEAVE WITNESSES.

THIS IS WHAT PRESIDENT CRISTIANI AND THE ARMY'S GENERAL STAFF ARE PREPARING AS THEIR DEFENSE. TO ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) THIS VERSION, CRISTIANI ((WORDS INDISTINCT)) GUESSED THE DECLARATIONS MADE BY THE WITNESS WHO TESTIFIED ABOUT THE LAST WORDS OF THE LATE FATHER MARTIN BARRO AT THE TIME OF THE CRIME. BARRO WAS HEARD SHOUTING: THIS IS UNJUST

ACCORDING TO THE VERSION CRISTIANI IS PREPARING, ATACATL BATTALION SOLDIERS REPORTED THE INCIDENT TO GENERAL GUILLERMO

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BENAVIDES, DIRECTOR OF THE MILITARY ACADEMY; AND TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL CAMILO HERNANDEZ OF THE MILITARY ACADEMY, WHO IN TURN NOTIFIED OTHER OFFICERS, INCLUDING COLONEL ARMANDO AVILES, CHIEF OF THE G-5 OF THE GENERAL STAFF. FOR REASONS OF PERSONAL SELF-INTEREST, COL ARMANDO AVILES PASSED THIS INFORMATION CONFIDENTIALLY TO U.S. AMBASSADOR WILLIAM WALKER.

THE FACTS, THEIR IMPLICATIONS, AND THE DRAFTING OF THIS VERSION OF THE STORY GENERATED HEATED ARGUMENTS BETWEEN THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL STAFF, THE U.S. EMBASSY, AND CRISTIANI. ULTIMATELY, THE MEDIA LEARNED ABOUT THESE ARGUMENTS, AND IN VIEW OF THE IMMINENT PUBLICATION OF THIS SITUATION IN THE MEDIA, ALFREDO CRISTIANI WAS FORCED TO ADMIT IN A HURRY AND TO OPENLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE MILITARY IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUITS.

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SERIAL: PA1601160790

COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: ROSA CHAVEZ COMMENTS ON JESUITS KILLING

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA SONORA 1200 GMT 15 JAN 90

TEXT:

//((PASSAGES WITHIN QUOTATION MARKS ARE RECORDED -- MONITORED IN  
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((TEXT)) ...DETERMINED WITHIN THE ARMED FORCES, PEOPLE WHO SEE  
WORK INTENDING TO HELP THE POOR AS A SUBVERSIVE ACTION AND THEREFORE,  
AS SOMETHING AGAINST THE NATIONAL SECURITY, SAID SAN SALVADOR  
AUXILIARY BISHOP MONSIGNOR GREGORIO ROSA CHAVEZ CONCERNING THE NEED  
TO CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE CASE OF THE ASSASSINATED  
JESUIT PRIESTS. THE REST IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE JUSTICE  
TRIBUNALS WHO WILL HAVE IN THEIR HANDS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE  
CREDIBILITY TO THOSE STATE INSTITUTIONS, HE ADDED.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "WHEN CRISTIANI ANNOUNCED THAT THE MILITARY  
WAS RESPONSIBLE, THE QUESTION WAS WHETHER OR NOT HE WOULD DISCLOSE  
THE NAMES OF THE PRIMARY PEOPLE INVOLVED. THERE IS NOW A NEW  
QUESTION BECAUSE WE DO NOT BELIEVE THESE ARE ISOLATED ACTIONS  
COMMITTED BY PEOPLE WHO DEViate FROM THE PARAMETERS OF THE  
INSTITUTION. RATHER, THIS RESPONDS TO A WAY OF THINKING, TO AN  
UPBRINGING, WHICH VIEWS WORK DONE BY PEOPLE LIKE THOSE WHO WERE  
ASSASSINATED, THE WORK DONE BEING DONE BY THE CHURCH, WHICH IS VERY  
COMMITTED TO PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS, AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS WORKS AS  
SOMETHING SUBVERSIVE, AND AGAINST THE STATE SECURITY. THEREFORE,  
IN THE FORMATION PROCESS WE ARE SEEN AS ENEMIES. I BELIEVE THAT  
PUNISHING A FEW IS NOT SUFFICIENT. IT IS ALSO NECESSARY TO  
THOROUGHLY REVIEW THE CRITERIA, TO DETERMINE WHO THE TRUE ENEMIES OF  
THE PEOPLE AND COUNTRY ARE. I BELIEVE THERE IS A LOT TO DISCUSS IN  
THIS REGARD. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO REVIEW THE PATTERNS OF  
FORMATION. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE PROPOSED. NEXT WEEK WE WILL SEE THE  
ATTITUDE OF THE MILITARY TOWARD THE CLERGY. THIS WILL BE A TEST FOR  
OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM. DURING THE HOMILY, I SAID THAT THERE HAS  
BEEN MUCH TALK ABOUT THE NEED FOR RESPECTING LAWS. HOWEVER, EVIDENCE  
SHOWS THAT IMPUNITY PREVAILS IN THE COUNTRY. THEREFORE, THERE ARE  
TWO THINGS THAT WILL BE CLARIFIED DURING THE TRIAL THAT WILL BEGIN  
AGAINST THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE JESUIT  
PRIESTS."

THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE FMLN GUERRILLAS  
CONTINUES TO BE THE CHURCH'S MAIN EFFORT IN ATTEMPTING TO SOLVE THE  
CONFLICT THROUGH POLITICAL MEANS. THE CHURCH WILL PLAY ITS ROLE IN  
THIS RESPECT, EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE PLANS NOW TO HAVE UN SECRETARY  
GENERAL JAVIER PEREZ DE CUELLAR JOIN EFFORTS IN RESUMING THE  
DIALOGUE. THIS SITUATION POSES TWO ALTERNATIVES: DIALOGUE WITH  
UNITED NATION'S MEDIATION OR THE MILITARY SOLUTION REACTIVATED WITH  
POLITICAL MURDERS SUCH AS THE ASSASSINATION OF DR NECTOR OGUELI  
COLINDRES, ACCORDING TO THE RELIGIOUS SECTOR IN THE COUNTRY.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "THERE ARE TWO ALTERNATIVES: THE PATH OF A  
POLITICAL SOLUTION WHICH COULD BE RESUMED IF THE MEDIATION EFFORTS BY  
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DR PEREZ DE CUELLAR ARE SUCCESSFUL; AND THE PATH OF TOTAL MADNESS WHICH IS PROMOTED WITH ASSASSINATIONS LIKE THE KILLING OF DR OQUELI COLINDRES. THE ASSASSINATION OF OQUELI MAKES THE POLITICAL SOLUTION MORE DIFFICULT. HOWEVER, SOLVING THE DIFFICULTIES WILL DEPEND ON THE WISDOM OF ALL PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE IN OUR COUNTRY."

DURING THE CELEBRATION OF RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES, AND DURING THE TRADITIONAL PART OF THE HOMELY ON EVENTS THIS WEEK, ROSA CHAVEZ MENTIONED THAT IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT THE VIOLENT EVENTS IN THE PAST FEW DAYS COULD HELP TO ATTAIN PEACE IN EL SALVADOR.

((ROSA CHAVEZ)) "WE ASK PEOPLE TO HONOR AGAIN THE SACRED RIGHT TO LIVE, TO ALL LIVES, REGARDLESS OF POLITICAL OR IDEOLOGICAL DIFFERENCES. IN FRONT OF THE CORPSE OF A MAN ((OQUELI -- FBIS)) WHO PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL ROUNDS OF DIALOGUE, WE SHOULD RENEW THE UNYIELDING COMMITMENT TO SET ASIDE VIOLENCE AND PROMOTE A POLITICAL SOLUTION TO THE COMPLEX AND DESPERATE ARMED CONFRONTATION DESTROYING US EACH DAY. PARADOXICALLY, THE MOMENT WE ARE LIVING, SO FULL OF BAD NEWS, COULD BE CRUCIAL FOR PEACE."

NEXT WEEK, SALVADORAN BISHOPS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE SALVADORAN EPISCOPAL CONFERENCE ((CEDES)) WILL HOLD A MEETING IN SAN SALVADOR, EVEN THOUGH A LOT HAS BEEN SAID IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS REGARDING DISAGREEMENTS EXISTING WITHIN THE CHURCH OVER THE SOCIAL-RELIGIOUS WORK IT CARRIES OUT. FOR MGR ROSA CHAVEZ, THIS MEETING WILL SERVE TO DETERMINE, WITH THESE OBJECTIVES IN MIND, WHAT THE WORK OF CEDES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN HELPING THE NEEDY SHOULD BE.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: ARCHBISHOP SUPPORTS JESUIT POSITION ON KILLING PROBE

REF: PA2705222890 SAN SALVADOR EL DIARIO DE HOY SPANISH MAY 90

-- GENERAL MAKES SWORN STATEMENT ON JESUITS' CASE

SOURCE: SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA ISKL IN SPANISH 1200 GMT  
26 MAY 90

TEXT:

((TEXT)) ARCHBISHOP MGR ARTURO RIVERA Y DANAN SAID THAT HE  
BACKS THE POSITION OF THE HEAD OF THE JESUITS WHO SAID THAT THERE IS  
A REAL LACK OF WILLINGNESS AMONG CERTAIN SECTORS IN THE EFFORTS TO  
PROMOTE JUSTICE AND SOLVE THE MULTIPLE CRIME OF THE KILLING OF SIX  
PRIESTS AND TWO WOMEN.

ACCORDING TO THE JESUIT, DESPITE THE EFFORTS OF THE COURTS, THERE  
ARE CERTAIN SECTORS THAT DO NOT WANT TO SEE THE LAW APPLIED TO THOSE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CRIME; THOSE RESPONSIBLE INCLUDE NINE MEMBERS OF  
THE MILITARY.

RIVERA Y DANAN DID NOT WANT TO SPECULATE ABOUT A REPORT DRAFTED  
BY U.S. PERSONS CONTENDING THAT THERE ARE OTHER TOP MILITARY  
OFFICERS DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THIS CRIME.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: TAKE 1 OF 2 -- ARMY DEFECTOR ON DEATH SQUADS

SOURCE: HAVANA PRENSA LATINA IN ENGLISH 2128 GMT 19 OCT 89

TEXT:

//((REPORT BY CARMEN LIRA OF MEXICO CITY'S LA JORNADA FOR PRENSA  
LATINA: "THE UNITED STATES AND THE SALVADORAN ARMY MAINTAIN THE  
SQUADRONS" -- NO DATELINE AS RECEIVED))

((TEXT)) "YES, THE DEATH SQUADRONS DO EXIST... I BELIEVE I CAN SAY  
AND REPEAT THAT AS I HAVE BELONGED TO ONE OF THEM FOR THE LAST TWO  
YEARS, PERSECUTING AND ABDUCTING PEOPLE, DISLODGING THEM FROM THEIR  
HOMES AND THEN EXECUTING MANY, MANY WHOM I HARDLY KNEW OR WHOSE NAMES

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I DID NOT EVEN KNOW".

AND IT IS THE SALVADORAN ARMY AND THE UNITED STATES' ADVISORS WHO ORGANISE AND PAY THESE SPECIAL CORPS, AS THEY ARE CALLED TO CAMOUFLAGE THEIR CLANDESTINE ACTIVITIES... THEY WERE THE ONES WHO PAID ME AND MY COMRADES: THE WAGES CAME FROM THE ARMY. THE COMPENSATIONS, FROM THE AMERICANS.

PRESIDENT ALFREDO CRISTIANI KNOWS IT, HE KNOWS ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF THAT INTELLIGENCE APPARATUS AS DID NAPOLEON DUARTE BEFORE HIM. I SAW HIM WITH MY OWN EYES AND KEPT AN EAR ON HIS TALKS WITH MY SUPERIOR OFFICERS TO WHOM HE GAVE INSTRUCTIONS WHEN HE VISITED DEPARTMENT 2 OF THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE, WHICH IS NOTHING BUT A PLACE WHERE THE CRIMES ARE BEING PLANNED. IT IS NOT BY ACCIDENT THAT THE ACTIONS HAVE BEEN INTENSIFIED SINCE HE (CRISTIANI) CAME TO POWER IN MAY LAST. HE PERSONALLY ORDERED THE OPERATION THAT THE ATACATL TWO CARRIED OUT TWO DAYS AFTER HIS LAST VISIT WHICH I WITNESSED.

CESAR VIELMAN JOYA MARTINEZ, A 27-YEAR-OLD SALVADORAN, WH TWO MONTHS AGO BELONGED TO DEPARTMENT TWO (INTELLIGENCE) OF THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE (BASED IN THE SAN CARLOS GARRISON, IN SAN SALVADOR) OF HIS COUNTRY'S ARMY, FROM WHICH HE DESERTED IN JULY LAST, IS SPEAKING PUBLICLY FOR THE FIRST TIME, WITH 'LA JORNADA.'

THEY WERE GOING TO KILL ME, AS THEY DID WITH ALL THE OTHER AGENTS AND INFORMANTS AT THE DEPARTMENT WHO CAME TO KNOW "TOO MUCH", THAT IS WHY I DESERTED... AND ALSO BECAUSE, TRULY, I CANNOT STAND IT ANYMORE, I FEEL ASHAMED, IT TURNS MY STOMACH.

EXILED IN THE U.S., IN WHOSE CAPITAL HE ARRIVED AFTER A HAZARDOUS ESCAPE FROM HIS COUNTRY, AGENT 'ALEX' FROM THE 'SPECIAL CORPS' - AS WE CALLED HIM DURING THE CLANDESTINE OPERATIONS - TELLS THIS DAILY ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES HE CARRIED OUT DURING HIS STAY IN THAT CORP: SHADOWING (PERSECUTION), ABDUCTION, ASSAULT, ARREST, IMPRISONMENT IN SECRET JAILS BELONGING TO THE SALVADORAN ARMY, NATIONAL GUARD AND POLICE, ASSASSINATION OF THOSE BEING SUSPECTED OF BELONGING TO OR COLLABORATING WITH WORKERS', TEACHERS' OR STUDENTS' ORGANISATIONS AND, MAINLY, THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN) OF EL SALVADOR, AND BURIAL OF THEIR CORPSES IN EQUALLY SECRET CEMETERIES, OR THROWING THEM ON THE BEACH OF EL MAJAHUAL, AT THE PORT 'LA LIBERTAD', OR INTO THE ALCEHUATE RIVER.

DARK, SMALL, WITH AN ORIENTAL AIR IN THE SHAPE OF HIS FACE AND HIS FEATURED, 'ALEX' RECOUNTS THE NUMBER OF ASSASSINATIONS IN WHICH HE HAS PARTICIPATED OR WHICH HE HAS "SCRUPULOUSLY" COMMITTED BY HIMSELF - BY CUTTING THE VICTIM'S THROAT WITH A 'DIATAGAN' COMMANDO KNIFE, HANGING HIM OR INJECTING SULPHURIC ACID IN HIS VEINS - (A TOTAL OF 74) IS ALMOST THREE TIMES HIS AGE. HE SAYS HE NEVER USED FIRE ARMS TO KILL THEM, TO AVOID THE ARMY BEING ACCUSED OF INVOLVEMENT IN THESE CRIMES.

HIS TESTIMONY, WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN RECORDED BY THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION OF CENTRAL AMERICA (CODEHUCA) AND BELIZE, AS WELL AS BY THE MEXICAN ACADEMY OF HUMAN RIGHTS, NOT ONLY PROVES THE EXISTENCE OF DEATH SQUADRONS IN EL SALVADOR, BUT ALSO THE FACT THAT THAT COUNTRY'S ARMY AND THE U.S. ADVISORS, PRESENT IN SALVADORAN TERRITORY SINCE 1981, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RECRUITMENT, ORGANISATION, TRAINING, MAINTENANCE AND MOBILISATION OF THESE GROUPS.

"WHEN I ENTERED DEPARTMENT TWO OF THE FIRST BRIGADE, I SPENT THREE MONTHS UNDER PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAINING PROVIDED BY U.S. ADVISORS, ONE OF

WHOM WAS ABOUT TO GO TO IRAN," AGENT 'ALEX' REVEALED IN WASHINGTON. "THEY GAVE US GASOLINE, MAINTENANCE FOR OUR VEHICLES, AND CASH MONEY TO PAY THE 'CONFIDENTS'. AFTER MAJOR HERNANDEZ CAME TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE ADVISORS ONLY GAVE US THE MONEY THAT THE TEAM NEEDED FOR HANDLING THE 'SOURCES' (INFORMATS), 19,000 COLONS A MONTH, WHICH HE SPENT ON (CIVILIAN) CLOTHES, TRANSPORTATION AND TRAVEL EXPENSES. ((NO CLOSING QUOTES AS RECEIVED))

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REF: PA2010010989 HAVANA PRENSA LATINA ENGLISH 192128///AND TRAVEL EXPENSES.

TEXT:

((TEXT)) DURING THE INTERVIEW WITH 'LA JORNADA', HELD IN A MODEST HOTEL ROOM IN WASHINGTON, THE YOUNG AGENT REVEALED THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE CENTRAL AND PRIVATE OFFICES OF THE U.S. ADVISORS'S HEADQUARTERS IN SAN SALVADOR: "THEY ARE BEHIND THE MILITARY SCHOOL", HE SAYS. "NOT JUST ANYONE CAN GO THERE, ONLY THEY, THE U.S. ADVISORS, THE 'CASE' OFFICERS, SUCH AS I, AND PEOPLE FROM THE GENERAL STAFF, WHICH IS WHERE THE CHEQUES CAME FROM TO PAY THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY DEPARTMENT TWO."

"HOW AND WHY I GOT INVOLVED IN THIS? I DID IT UNDER THE PRESSURE OF ECONOMIC PROBLEMS... IT ALL BEGAN IN 1982 WHEN I ENTERED THE MARINE COMMANDO CORPS, BASED IN THE PORT OF 'LA UNION'. I WAS IMMEDIATELY INCORPORATED INTO THE SPECIAL 'PIRANA' FORCES WHERE I BECAME THE CO-PILOT OF A SPEEDBOAT. MY WORK CONSISTED OF TEACHING THE NEW MEMBERS TO HANDLE THE BOAT AND THE WEAPONS: A 50 AND A M-60", HE SAYS.

"THE 'PIRANA' GROUP DID VIGILANCE WORK IN EL ESPINO, THE GULF OF FONSECA AND THE 'EL CUCO' BEACH. THE VIGILANCE CONSISTED OF DETECTING CLANDESTINE BOATS COMING FROM NICARAGUA".

TWO YEARS LATER (IN 1984), HE ASKED IF HE COULD LEAVE AND WAS ALLOWED TO DO SO. BACK IN CIVILIAN LIFE, HE WORKED IN A FISHING FACTORY NAMED 'EMPRESA', WHERE HE WAS THE OPERATOR OF THE FLOUR PLANT, A JOB WHICH HE STAYED ON FOR A YEAR. IN 1985 HE BECAME A TRUCK DRIVER, UNTIL 1986. A YEAR LATER - JANUARY 1987 - HE ENTERED THE SUPPORT AND COMBAT BATTALION OF THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE.

"THERE I MADE CONTACT WITH UNDER-SARGENT BURGOS TORRES, WHOM I HAD KNOWN A LITTLE EARLIER. HE TOLD ME THAT THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE HAD AN INTELLIGENCE DEPARTMENT AND THAT I MET THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS. THE REQUIREMENTS WERE THAT I WAS A COMMANDO AND HAD BELONGED TO THE SPECIAL 'PIRANA' GROUP FORCES. LATER ON I MET CORPORAL TORRES ALFARO, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF INFANTRY DEPARTMENT TWO. THERE THEY PUT ME IN CONTACT WITH A LIEUTENANT WHOSE LAST NAME IS MAJANO, AND WHO WAS THE HEAD OF THE CASE OFFICERS' DEPARTMENT. I HAD AN INTERVIEW WITH HIM AND I WAS ADMITTED THERE, WITH THE RANK OF A 'CASE' OFFICER.

WITH THAT RANK, I WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE ZONES OF APOPA, CHAPIN AND PIEDRA TO RECRUIT CIVILIANS TO WORK AS "CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES" AND THUS "HAVE UNDER CONTROL THE ZONES WHERE MEMBERS OF THE FMLN WOULD MOVE". LATER, I WAS SENT TO THE METROPOLITAN ZONE, TO THE CAPITAL, SAN SALVADOR, TO HANDLE THE STAFF IN CHARGE OF CONTROLLING PEOPLE'S DEMONSTRATIONS AND KEEPING SURVEILLANCE ON THE SAFE HOUSES OF THE FMLN.

"ON THOSE OPERATIONS ONE COULD WORK NORMALLY, SINCE WE HAD TWO U.S. ADVISORS AND A DEPARTMENT OF ANALYSIS. AT ANOTHER DEPARTMENT, OF COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE, WE HAD SPECIAL VEHICLES WE COULD USE, A GREY 'HACI' WITH DARKENED WINDOWS AND A RED, FOUR-DOOR VAN WHOSE LICENCE PLATES WERE CHANGED EVERY FIVE OR SIX DAYS TO AVOID THEIR BEING REGISTERED. WE HAD SOME 40 LICENCE PLATES FOR PRIVATE VEHICLES, WHICH WERE PERHAPS PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL POLICE. THE VEHICLES WERE GIVEN TO USE BY THE GENERAL STAFF FOR THE USE OF THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE'S DEPARTMENT TWO.

"THE VEHICLES WERE USED FOR SURVEILLANCE OR FOR CLANDESTINE ARRESTS. IN THIS CASE, THE VEHICLE WAS MANNED WITH FIVE OR SIX OFFICERS ARMED WITH M-16, 45 AND G-3, WHOSE BARRELS WERE CUT, AND THIS IS HOW WE PROCEEDED TO CAPTURE PEOPLE UNDER SUSPICION".

"CLANDESTINE ABDUCTIONS IMPLIED DISLODGING THE PEOPLE FROM THEIR HOMES AND TAKING THEM TO THE FIRST INFANTRY BRIGADE GARRISON, FROM WHERE THEY WERE THEN SENT TO THE PRISONS OF THAT BRIGADE'S DEPARTMENT TWO.

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COUNTRY: EL SALVADOR

SUBJ: VENCEREMOS COMMENTARY NOTES ARMY DESERTER'S CHARGES

REF: PA2210182289 AND ADD HAVANA PRENSA LATINA ENGLISH 212055 --

ARMY DEFECTOR ON DEATH SQUADS, PART III

SOURCE: (CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR

0000 GMT 14 OCT 89

TEXT:

//((NOTE ENTITLED "CRISTIANI AND THE VIDEO REPORT"))

((TEXT)) BECAUSE OF ITS IMPORTANCE, WE REFER ONCE MORE TO THE TESTIMONY BY FORMER DEATH SQUAD MEMBER CESAR VIELMAN JOYA MARTINEZ.

THE NONGOVERNMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION SHOWED THE LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL PRESS THE VIDEO RECORDING SHOWING THE DESERTER MAKING HIS STATEMENTS, WHICH HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED BY THE MEXICAN NEWSPAPER LA JORNADA. ANSWERING QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS, THE NONGOVERNMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION EXPLAINED WHY FORMER AGENT ALEX DESERTED FROM THE DEATH SQUADS. HE DESERTED BECAUSE THE NEJAPA OPERATION FAILED AND, BECAUSE OF THIS, HE WAS IN DANGER OF BEING TRIED.

THE OPERATION FAILED BECAUSE IT BECAME KNOWN THAT TWO PEASANTS

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WHO HAD BEEN TAKEN PRISONER DIED FROM BEING TORTURED BY MEMBERS OF THE 1ST INFANTRY BRIGADE. THE HIGH COMMAND FOUND ITSELF COMPELLED TO INVESTIGATE THE DEATH OF THE PEASANTS AND THE MILITARY MEN WHO DIRECTED THE OPERATION HAD NO OPTION BUT TO MURDER THE OFFICER WHO WAS IN COMMAND -- CESAR VIELMAN JOYA MARTINEZ -- WHO THEN FLED THE COUNTRY.

WE CAN ALL RECALL THE GRUESOME REPORT IN JULY -- ON 25 JULY, TO BE PRECISE -- THAT THE 1ST BRIGADE HAD CAPTURED SEVEN PEASANTS IN THE VICINITY OF APOPA AND THAT TWO OF THEM HAD DIED FROM THE TORTURE AND BEATINGS THEY SUFFERED. THIS WAS THE NEJAPA OPERATION WHICH WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE ATACATL BATTALION AND MEMBERS OF SECTION 2 OF THE 1ST BRIGADE AND IN WHICH JOYA MARTINEZ PARTICIPATED. WE RECALL ALSO THAT THE DESERTER SAID IN HIS TESTIMONY THAT PRESIDENT CRISTIANI PERSONALLY ORDERED OPERATION ATACATL II, WHICH WAS CARRIED OUT 2 DAYS AFTER THE PRESIDENT'S LATEST VISIT TO THE GENERAL HEADQUARTERS OF THE DEATH SQUADS, LOCATED BEHIND THE MILITARY SCHOOL. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THIS WAS THE SAME OPERATION.

THE DESERTER'S TESTIMONY MAKES IT CLEARER THAN EVER THAT A DEATH SQUAD MEMBER IS THE PRESIDENT OF OUR NATION AND THAT HE ORDERS THE CAPTURE, TORTURE, AND MASSACRES OF PEASANTS. PRESIDENT CRISTIANI IS NOT A MODERATE ADMINISTRATOR. HE IS LIKE MURDERER ROBERTO D'AUBUISSON -- A DEATH SQUAD MEMBER.

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PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE  
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DUARTE AS COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES -- DATED 20  
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2. THE GENERAL COMMAND OF THE ARMED FORCES  
OF EL SALVADOR HEREBY RESPONDS TO RECENT REPORTS ON THE KIDNAPPING  
OF COLONEL OMAR NAPOLEON AYALOS MADE KNOWN HERE AND ABROAD.

3. THE ARMED INSTITUTION HAS BEEN CONCERNED WITH MAKING  
POSSIBLE THE RETURN OF COL AYALOS TO HIS FAMILY AND TO HIS  
PROFESSIONAL TASKS FROM THE VERY MOMENT THAT HE WAS  
KIDNAPPED BY A SUBVERSIVE FPM-FOC GROUP.

4. UNFORTUNATELY, THE SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS REFUSED TO ALLOW  
PERSONAL CONTACT BETWEEN COL AYALOS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
SALVADORAN CHURCH AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN  
ORGANIZATIONS, AND FOR THIS REASON THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF THE  
VICTIM COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED. THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH HE  
IS BEING ILLEGALLY HELD COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED EITHER. THIS  
MADE EFFORTS FOR HIS RELEASE MORE DIFFICULT.

5. DURING HIS ILLEGAL AND UNJUST CAPTIVITY, COL AYALOS HAS BEEN  
DEPRIVED OF THE GUARANTEES TO WHICH HE, AS HUMAN BEING, IS ENTITLED.

6. SINCE THE ARMED FORCES HAVE BEEN INFLECTING MANY CASUALTIES  
ON THE EXTREMIST GROUPS, THEY HAVE APPEARED TO A HUMANISTIC  
CONSIDERATION ON THE PART OF THE ARMED FORCES TO ALLOW THE  
EVACUATION FROM THE COUNTRY OF AN UNDETERMINED NUMBER OF REBELS  
CRIPPLED BY THE VIOLENCE THAT THEY HAVE CHOSEN TO IMPOSE ON THE  
SALVADORAN PEOPLE.

7. AS A RESULT OF THIS, THE ARMED FORCES HIGH COMMAND HAS  
CONDITIONED THIS HUMANITARIAN CONSIDERATION TO THE IMMEDIATE  
RELEASE OF COL OMAR NAPOLEON AYALOS, BUT THE RESPONSIBLE  
LEADERS OF THE FPM-FOC HAVE REFUSED TO FULFILL MINIMUM  
HUMANITARIAN OBLIGATIONS TOWARD THEIR OWN CRIPPLED ELEMENTS  
AND HAVE REFUSED TO RELEASE COL AYALOS.

8. NEVERTHELESS, IN THE 3 MONTHS OF THE INHUMAN CAPTIVITY  
TO WHICH COL AYALOS HAS BEEN SUBJECTED, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME  
THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS RELEASE HAS APPEARED, ALTHOUGH  
SO FAR THERE HAS BEEN NO FORMAL AND SPECIFIC PROPOSAL FROM THE  
EXTREMIST FPM-FOC GROUPS.

9. SINCE THE DEMANDS OF THE MARXIST ORGANIZATIONS ARE KNOWN,  
THIS GENERAL COMMAND IS PREPARED TO CONSIDER ADEQUATE POSSIBILITIES  
TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THIS CASE IN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE LAW AND  
HUMANITARIAN PRINCIPLES THAT MUST BE OBSERVED AND RESPECTED BY  
ALL THOSE WHO ARE DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN OUR  
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(ITEXT) SANTIAGO, 19 JUL (AFP) -- A POWERFUL BOMB HAS DESTROYED THE WINDOWS AND WALLS OF A CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE CITY OF VILLA ALEMANA, 100 KM WEST OF SANTIAGO, IN AN ATTACK CLAIMED BY THE CLANDESTINE CHILEAN ANTICOMMUNIST ACTION (ACCION CHILENA ANTICOMUNISTA -- ACHA). CHURCH SOURCES REPORTED TODAY. ANOTHER BOMB BLAST DAMAGED THE CHILEAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS IN THE SAME CITY, BUT NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED.

SOME ACHA LEAFLETS FOUND AT VILLA ALEMANA'S SAN FELIPE NERI PARISH CHURCH, WHICH WAS HIT BY THE BOMB, READ, "AN EYE FOR AN EYE AGAINST THE CASSOCKS."

AN ORGANIZATION OF NATIONALIST LEANING, THE ACHA HAS CLAIMED NUMEROUS SIMILAR ATTACKS AGAINST CHILEAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS.

DURING ONE OF THOSE ATTACKS, ON 6 OCTOBER 1984, AN ARMY OFFICER DIED WHEN A FIRE BOMB HE WAS CARRYING DETONATED AND DESTROYED A CHURCH IN PUNTA ARENAS, 2,500 KM SOUTH OF THIS CAPITAL, ACCORDING TO AN INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY THE COURTS.

TODAY'S BOMB BLASTS OCCURRED 1 WEEK AFTER THE GOVERNMENT OF GENERAL AUGUSTO PINOCHET CONFIRMED THAT IT HAS BEGUN TO HOLD TALKS WITH THE VATICAN IN AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE ITS DETERIORATED RELATIONS WITH THE CHURCH.

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(EXCERPT) THE MANUEL RODRIGUEZ PATRIOTIC FRONT  
(FPMR) HAS REPORTED THAT IT HAS SEIZED IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS  
FROM KIDNAPPED COLONEL MARIO HAEERLE AND THAT THE DOCUMENTS  
WILL BE RELEASED TO THE PUBLIC.

THE FPMR RELEASED A COMMUNIQUE STATING THAT THE COLONEL'S  
KIDNAPPING HAS MADE THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES, ESPECIALLY  
THE ARMY, SIT UP AND THINK, AND THAT IT HAS MADE THEM UNDERSTAND  
THAT IF THEY CONTINUE WITH THEIR REPRESSIVE ACTIONS THEY WILL BE  
PUNISHED.

THE COMMUNIQUE ALSO SAYS THAT DECISIVE MOMENTS ARE APPROACHING,  
WHEN THE MILITARY MEN MUST DECIDE WHETHER TO FOLLOW GENERAL  
PINOCHET INTO THE ABYSS OR ABANDON HIM TO JOIN THE PEOPLE.  
THE FPMR RELEASED COL HAEERLE BECAUSE IT BELIEVED THAT THE  
MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE KIDNAPPING HAD BEEN FULFILLED. THE FPMR  
COMMUNIQUE STATES THAT THE EXHORTATION MADE BY THE CHURCH ALSO  
INFLUENCED THEIR DECISION TO RELEASE HIM. THE COMMUNIQUE  
ADDED: THE CALLS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH SHOULD BE HEEDDED  
BY THE DICTATORSHIP, JUST AS WE WELCOME THEM, BECAUSE IN THIS WAY  
MANY PATRIOTS COULD BE SAVED FROM THE DUNGEONS AND TORTURE.

THE FPMR HAS DELIVERED THE FIRST DOCUMENT ON THE COMMENTS  
MADE BY GENERAL JOHN GALVIN, THE U.S. ARMED FORCES  
SOUTHERN COMMAND CHIEF, DURING A SECRET MEETING WITH THE DEPUTY  
CHIEFS OF THE CHILEAN ARMED FORCES HELD AT THE U.S.  
EMBASSY IN SANTIAGO. (PASSAGE OMITTED)

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SALVADOR: FPMH CLAIMS CREDITS FOR KILLING MARINES

EL SALVADOR: GUERRILLA COMMUNIQUE ON KILLING OF MARINES

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CLANDESTINE RADIO PARABURRO PART: IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR  
2300 GMT 21 JUN-81

(COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY LEADERSHIP  
OF THE FPMH'S HANDEDNESS CASE URBAN GUERRILLA COMMAND -- DATE  
AND PLACE NOT GIVEN)

(TEXT) TO THE SALVADOREAN AND CENTRAL AMERICAN PEOPLES, AS  
WELL AS OTHER PEOPLES IN THE WORLD AND THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL  
PRESS, WE REPORT:

1. OUR COMMANDOS HEREBY TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE EXECUTION  
OF THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY OPERATION CALLED "AGGRESSOR THUNDER."  
EL SALVADOR WANTS FOR YOU LIKE ANOTHER VIETNAM. THE  
OPERATION CONSISTED OF THE ANNIHILATION OF U.S. MILITARY  
ADVISERS, CIA AGENTS, AND MEMBERS OF OTHER NATIONALITIES LINKED  
TO INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE U.S.  
IMPERIALISM. THESE PEOPLE WERE IN THE ZONA ROSA IN THE SAN  
BENITO NEIGHBORHOOD, SPECIFICALLY AT THE LOS CHILES RESTAURANT.

2. IN VIEW OF THE DISTORTED VERSION OF THE FACTS DISSEMINATED  
BY THE PUPPET GOVERNMENT AND ITS GENOCIDAL ARMED FORCES WITH THE  
PURPOSE OF JUSTIFYING THEIR INCAPACITY AND IN AN EFFORT TO ALTER  
THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS REVOLUTIONARY ACTION, WE HEREBY EXPLAIN  
THE OPERATION. THE FIRE OF OUR REVOLUTIONARY RIFLES WAS  
CONCENTRATED ONLY IN THOSE PLACES WHERE THE MILITARY ADVISERS AND  
THEIR ASSOCIATES WERE LOCATED. DURING THE ANNIHILATION OPERATION,  
AN EXCHANGE OF SHOTS OCCURRED BETWEEN OUR SHOCK FORCE GUERRILLAS AND  
ARMED SECURITY MEMBERS IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES NEAR THE SITE OF THE  
OPERATION. AS THE RESULT OF THIS, MANY PEOPLE IN NEARBY  
ESTABLISHMENTS WERE CAUGHT IN AN INDISCRIMINATE CROSSFIRE.

ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONSIBILITY AND CONSCIOUSNESS THAT OUR PEOPLE  
DESERVE, WE WANT TO MAKE CLEAR THAT OUR MEN DID NOT USE G-3  
RIFLES, EITHER IN THIS CLASH OR THE ONE BETWEEN OUR SHOCK FORCES  
AND ARMY SECURITY MEMBERS. WE REGRET THAT DUE TO THE LIMITED  
FIGHTING ABILITY OF THESE ARMY MEN IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES, OUR PEOPLE  
HAVE HAD TO PAY SUCH A HIGH A PRICE IN HUMAN LIVES.

OUR COMMANDOS APPEAL TO THE VARIOUS SOCIAL SECTORS OF OUR PEOPLE  
TO REFRAIN FROM VISITING THOSE PLACES VISITED BY ARMY HQS OF BOTH THE  
PUPPET ARMY AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ENGAGED IN REPRESSIVE AND  
GENOCIDAL ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT  
BECAUSE THESE ARMED MEN HAVE BECOME MILITARY TARGETS AS OF THIS

MOMENT.

WE APPEAL TO THE U.S. PEOPLE TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS AND  
OPPOSE RONALD REAGAN'S WARMONGERING ADMINISTRATION IN ORDER TO  
PREVENT HIM FROM EMBARKING ON A MILITARY ADVENTURE THAT WOULD  
ONLY CAUSE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE GREATER GRIEF AND SUFFERING.

FINALLY, WE REPORT THAT OUR UNITS WITHDREW WITHOUT ANY TROUBLE  
AFTER THEY WERE (CHASED) BY THE ENEMY.

UNITED TO FIGHT TO THE FINAL VICTORY. REVOLUTION OR DEATH, WE  
WILL WIN.

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EL SALVADOR: PRIC CLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY FOR KILLING MARINES

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PAGE 001 IN SPANISH 1300 GMT 21 JUN 85

(TELE) SAN SALVADOR, 21 JUN (AFP) -- ANONYMOUS  
TELEPHONE CALLS TODAY REPORTED THAT THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF  
CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS (PRIC), ONE OF THE FIVE GROUPS THAT  
MAKE UP THE PARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT  
(FNL), WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLING OF 12 PERSONS EXECUTED  
BY AN ARMED GROUP IN SAN SALVADOR ON 19 JUNE.

ANONYMOUS TELEPHONE CALLS TO VARIOUS NEWS MEDIA REPORTED THAT  
THE MACHINEGUINING OF A DOWNTOWN SAN SALVADOR RESTAURANT AS A  
RESULT OF WHICH 8 U.S. CITIZENS -- INCLUDING 6 MARINES -- DIED,  
WAS CARRIED OUT BY THE PARABUNDO CRUZ COMMANDO GROUP OF THE  
PRIC AND INDICATED THAT THE GROUP WILL BE ISSUING A COMMUNIQUE  
SOON.

IF THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PRIC IS CONFIRMED, IT WILL BE  
THE FIRST TIME IN ALMOST 5 YEARS THAT SALVADOREAN GUERRILLAS HAVE  
USED INDISCRIMINATE URBAN TERRORISM METHODS.

HOWEVER, NONE OF THE FNL CLAUDESTINE RADIO STATIONS HAVE  
CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK, AS THEY USUALLY DO WHEN  
MEMBERS OF THIS ORGANIZATION CARRY OUT ATTACKS OR SHOOTING.

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EL SALVADOR: FMLN CLAIMS CREDIT FOR KILLING MARINES

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(REPORT BY ALBERTO BARRERA)

(TEXT) OUR OFFICE HAS RECEIVED A COMMUNIQUE SIGNED BY THE  
HANDGLOVED CRUI URBAN COMMAND GROUPS OF THE FMLN CLAIMING  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE OPERATION [KEY CALL YANKEE ADDRESSOR,  
ANOTHER VIETNAM AVIATE 000 IN EL SALVADOR, AND WHICH REFERS  
TO THE VIOLENT ATTACK WHICH TOOK PLACE ON WEDNESDAY IN A JONA  
ROSA RESTAURANT WHERE 13 PERSONS WERE KILLED, AND AT LEAST 7  
WERE WOUNDED, AMONG THE DEAD WERE FOUR U.S. MARINES AND TWO  
AMERICAN CIVILIANS. THIS COMMUNIQUE OF THE HANDGLOVED CRUI  
URBAN COMMAND GROUP, WHICH IS A MEMBER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY  
PARTY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS (UPIC), WHICH IN TURN  
IS A MEMBER OF THE FMLN, HAS DESCRIBED ITS OPERATION AS YANKEE  
ADDRESSOR, ANOTHER VIETNAM AVIATE 000 IN EL SALVADOR. THE  
COMMUNIQUE SAYS THE ATTACK WAS TO ANNOUNCE THE U.S. MILITARY  
ADVISERS, CIA AGENTS, AND ELEMENTS OF OTHER NATIONALITIES WHO  
ARE LINKED TO INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATIONS AT THE SERVICE OF U.S.  
IMPERIALISM WHO WERE IN THE JONA ROSA RESTAURANT IN SAN BENTO  
KNOWN AS LOS CHILES.

THE COMMUNIQUE ADDS THAT THE GUNFIRE FROM OUR REVOLUTIONARY  
GUNS WERE CONCENTRATED ONLY WHERE THE U.S. ADVISERS AND THEIR  
ASSOCIATES WERE SITTING. AT THE TIME OF THE AMMUNITION, THERE  
WAS AN EXCHANGE OF GUNFIRE BETWEEN MILITARY UNITS OF OUR GUERRILLAS  
AND SECURITY (POLICE) NEXT TO THE ARMED (MUCH) TROOPS DRESSED  
AS CIVILIANS WHO WERE NEAR THE SCENE OF THE OPERATION.

THE COMMUNIQUE OF THE PRTC AND OF THE HANDGLOVED CRUI URBAN  
COMMAND GROUP ADDS: WE DEEPLY REGRET THAT DUE TO THE VERY  
LIMITED COMBAT TECHNIQUES OF INFANTRY ELEMENTS OF THE ARMY DRESSED AS  
CIVILIANS, OUR PEOPLE HAVE HAD TO PAY OVER HIGH COSTS. IN  
ANOTHER POINT OF THE COMMUNIQUE, POINT FIVE TO BE PRECISE, THEY  
MAKE AN APPEAL TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT TO STOP IT BECAUSE IT IS  
AGAINST THE PEOPLE'S WILL TO GO TO THE U.S. TO BE USED BY THE PUPPET  
ARMY UNITS AS WELL AS THE DOMESTIC MILITARY AND POLICE IN  
REPRESSIVE AND GENOCIDAL ACTIVITIES AGAINST THE PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY  
MOVEMENT THROUGHOUT AS RIGHT NOW, THEY ARE BECOMING MILITARY TARGETS  
OF THEIR FORCES.

THEY ALSO URGE THE OWNERS OF BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS NOT TO  
RENT THEIR PROPERTY TO U.S. MILITARY ADVISERS OR OTHER

NATIONALITIES. THEY ALSO WARN THEM THAT THESE RESOURCES BECOME  
HIGH MILITARY TARGETS. POINT FIVE MAKES AN APPEAL TO U.S.  
PUBLIC OPINION TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS AND ACTIVELY OPPOSE THE  
HANDGLOVED ADMINISTRATION OF RONALD REAGAN TO PREVENT IT FROM  
ENGAGING IN A NEW MILITARY ADVENTURE THAT WILL ONLY BRING SORROW  
AND GRIEF TO THE PEOPLE.

THESE HAVE BEEN PASSAGES QUOTED FROM THE COMMUNIQUE THAT WAS  
RECEIVED AT OUR EDITORIAL OFFICE IN WHICH THEY CLAIM RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THE ATTACK CARRIED OUT ON WEDNESDAY IN A JONA ROSA RESTAURANT  
WHERE, AS WE ALREADY REPORTED, 13 PERSONS WERE KILLED WHILE 7  
OTHERS WERE WOUNDED, PUBLIC SECURITY DEPUTY MINISTER CON  
REYNALDO LOPEZ OFFICIALLY REPORTED.

THE COMMUNIQUE IS SIGNED BY THE HANDGLOVED CRUI URBAN  
COMMAND GROUPS OF THE PRTC, MEMBERS OF THE FMLN. THE  
COMMUNIQUE IS SIGNED BY THE MILITARY LEADERSHIP OF THE METROPOLITAN  
FRONT, FERRANDO SALLADO.

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EL SALVADOR: ZONA ROSA DETAINEE DESCRIBES PRTC ORGANIZATION

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(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, 30 AUG (EFE) -- CELIO RIVAS  
BOLANOS, ALIAS WILLIAM, WHO IS BEING HELD BY THE ARMY FOLLOWING  
HIS PARTICIPATION IN THE 19 JUNE KILLINGS IN A SAN SALVADOR  
RESTAURANT, SAID TODAY THAT THERE ARE THREE COMMANDO GROUPS OF THE  
REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS (PRTC)  
OPERATING IN THIS CAPITAL.

THE FIGHTER SAID THAT ONE OF THOSE COMMANDO GROUPS -- THE ONE  
TO WHICH HE BELONGED -- CARRIED OUT THE KILLING IN THE "ZONA ROSA"  
OF THE CAPITAL. AS A RESULT OF THAT ATTACK, TWELVE PERSONS DIED,  
INCLUDING FOUR MARINES AND TWO OTHER NORTH AMERICANS.

RIVAS BOLANOS TOLD THE NEWS MEDIA THAT EACH PRTC  
COMMANDO GROUP IS COMPOSED OF FOUR FIGHTERS AND EVERYBODY IS UNDER  
THE PARADOXICAL "ZONA ROSA" COMMAND.

RIVAS BOLANOS WAS ARRESTED BY THE ARMY ON 12 AUGUST IN THE  
CAPITAL'S SOUTHWEST. HE IS NOW AT THE DISPOSAL OF A MILITARY  
JUDGE ON CHARGES OF HAVING PARTICIPATED IN THE ATTACK.

THE PRTC MILITANT CLAIMS HE WAS RECRUITED "BY FORCE" FOUR  
YEARS AGO IN SAN JOSE CANTON, SAN ESTEBAN CATARINA  
MUNICIPALITY, SAN VICENTE DEPARTMENT, AND LATER HE RECEIVED  
POLITICAL-MILITARY TRAINING.

"WILLIAM" STATED THAT WHILE HE WAS IN THE PRTC, HE  
PARTICIPATED ONLY IN MILITARY AND SABOTAGE OPERATIONS. HE SAID  
THAT CURRENTLY THE PRTC HAS 150 TROOPS, WHO ARE OPERATING WITH  
THE LUIS ADALBERTO "LA" DETACHMENT.

RIVAS BOLANOS SAID THE SALVADORAN GUERRILLAS ARE FACING  
SERIOUS LOGISTIC AND REORGANIZATION PROBLEMS BECAUSE OF THE  
CONTINUOUS CONFLICT AND OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS BEING CARRIED OUT BY THE  
ARMED FORCES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

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EL SALVADOR: STATEMENT ON ZONA ROSA KILLINGS CLARIFIED

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SAN SALVADOR LA PRENSA GRAFICA IN SPANISH 11 SEP 85  
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(TEXT) GOVERNMENT SPOKESMEN SAID YESTERDAY THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT SAID AT ANY TIME THAT THE THREE PRISONERS HAD AN ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE ZONA ROSA KILLINGS. THE SPOKESMEN SAID THAT ONLY WILLIAM CELIO RIVAS BOLANOS, WHO CONFESSED, DIRECTLY PARTICIPATED IN THE KILLINGS. THE TWO OTHER PRISONERS, JOSE ABRAHAM DIMAS AND MIGUEL GARCIA MELENDEZ, ADMITTED IN THEIR TESTIMONY THAT THEY WERE MEMBERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN WORKERS (RPTC), BUT DENIED PARTICIPATING IN THE ZONA ROSA KILLINGS. THEY SAID THAT THEY WERE COVERING THE RETREAT OF THOSE WHO CARRIED OUT THE KILLINGS, BUT THAT THEY DID NOT ACTUALLY PARTICIPATE IN THE ACTION.

THE GOVERNMENT'S SPOKESMEN ACCUSED THE FMLN-FOR TERRORISTS OF TRYING TO CONFUSE LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL NEWS MEDIA.

THEY ALSO SAID THAT JOSE ABRAHAM DIMAS AND MIGUEL GARCIA MELENDEZ WERE COVERING THE RETREAT OF THOSE WHO CARRIED OUT THE KILLINGS.

MEANWHILE, WILLIAM CELIO RIVAS BOLANOS, WHO WAS KIDNAPPED 3 YEARS AGO BY FMLN-FOR TERRORISTS IN SAN JOSE CANTON, O SAN ESTEBAN CATARINA, SAN VICENTE DEPARTMENT, WHEN HE WAS ONLY 13, CONFESSED THAT HE WAS AT LESS THAN 8 METERS FROM THE VICTIMS OF THE SHOOTING WHEN HE PULLED THE TRIGGER OF HIS AUTOMATIC WEAPON.

HE SAID THAT ISMAEL DIMAS AGUILAR, ALIAS ULISES, GAVE THE ORDER TO FIRE AND THAT HE FIRED 30 ROUNDS WITHOUT KNOWING WHO HE WAS SUPPOSED TO KILL. HE ONLY KNEW THAT THE ATTACK WAS AGAINST U.S. OFFICIALS.

IN HIS TESTIMONY, WILLIAM CELIO RIVAS BOLANOS SAID THAT HE HAD NEVER KILLED DEFENSELESS PEOPLE AND THAT HE WAS USED TO FIGHT AGAINST ARMED MEN. HOWEVER, IN THIS CASE HE OBEYED THE ORDER TO SHOOT TO BECOME ONE OF THE PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLINGS IN ZONA ROSA ALONG WITH ISMAEL DIMAS AGUILAR, WHO ALSO FIRED HIS AUTOMATIC WEAPON AND THE COUP DE GRACE SHOTS IN THE HEAD OF EACH OF THE DEFENSELESS VICTIMS IN A ZONA ROSA RESTAURANT.

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GLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR  
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(STATION COMMENTARY)

((TEXT)) ALMOST 1 MONTH AFTER HER RELEASED AND HER REFUSAL  
TO SPEAK TO THE PRESS, NAPOLEON QUARTE'S DAUGHTER, INES  
QUADALUPE QUARTE APPEARED ON GOVERNMENT TELEVISION AND  
SAID THAT THE STATEMENTS SHE MADE OVER THE FMN'S RADIO  
STATIONS HAD BEEN MADE UNDER PRESSURE. MEANWHILE, AN  
ALMOST SIMULTANEOUSLY, DONALD OCHOA PEREZ, ONE OF THE  
MILITARY LEADERS WHO STaunchLY OPPOSED THE WAY QUARTE HANDLED  
ON WAS FORCED TO HANDLE HIS DAUGHTER'S KIDNAPPING CASE,  
REITERATED THE ALLEGED UNITY BETWEEN THE ARMED FORCES AND THE  
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT. WE BELIEVE THAT INES  
QUARTE'S STATEMENT ON THE ONE HAND, AND OCHOA PEREZ' ON THE  
OTHER, WERE THE PRODUCT OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT  
AND THE ARMED FORCES; THAT IS, BETWEEN QUARTE AND THE GROUP  
OF MILITARY WHO OPPOSE HIM, AND THAT THEY WERE ISSUED TO SAVE  
THE APPARENT IMAGE OF UNITY BETWEEN THE MEMBERS OF THE RULING  
POWER bloc THAT WAS SEVERELY DAMAGED BY THE 24 OCTOBER EXCHANGE.

FOR NAPOLEON QUARTE IT IS SUPREMELY IMPORTANT TO SHOW  
THE WORLD AN IMAGE OF A UNITED GOVERNMENT WITH AN Obedient ARMED  
FORCES THAT IS SUBORDINATE TO IT. INES QUADALUPE QUARTE'S  
KIDNAPPING AND THE SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATIONS BY WHICH THE FMN  
WAS ABLE TO TAKE MORE THAN 100 WAR WOUNDED OUT OF THE COUNTRY,  
PULL 24 OF ITS CADRES OUT OF PRISON, AND EXPOSE THE QUARTE  
ADMINISTRATION'S HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS BARED THAT IMAGE  
AND SHOWED ALL ITS FISSURES AND DEEP INTERNAL DIVISIONS.  
NAPOLEON QUARTE HANDLED THE SITUATION PRAGMATICALLY. HE  
NEEDED TO SAVE THAT APPARENT IMAGE OF UNITY, SO HE MADE HIS  
DAUGHTER SPEAK AGAINST THE FMN ALTHOUGH BY THIS TIME JUST  
ABOUT EVERYONE HAD FORGOTTEN HER CASE. IN EXCHANGE,  
OCHOA PEREZ CAME FORTH AND REAFFIRMED THE ARMED FORCES'  
SUBORDINATION TO THE PRESIDENT. EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT  
OCHOA PEREZ, GENERAL BUSTILLO, COLONEL ESTADEA,  
AND OTHERS ARE NAPOLEON QUARTE'S PRINCIPAL FOES IN  
THE ARMY.

THE KIDNAPPING OF QUARTE'S DAUGHTER AND ITS AFTERMATH WERE  
A STRATEGIC VICTORY FOR THE FMN. THEY EXPOSED THE DIVISION  
OF POWER THAT EXISTS IN EL SALVADOR. THE FMN RESCUED 25  
OF ITS CADRES FROM PRISON, ALL BUT THREE OF WHOM RETURNED TO THE

WAR FRONT. IT SUCCEEDED IN TAKING MORE THAN 100 WAR WOUNDED  
OUT OF THE COUNTRY THROUGH AN EXCHANGE IN WHICH SOME 15  
GOVERNMENTS PLAYED A PART. ON THE DAY OF THE EXCHANGE A  
VIRTUAL CEASE-FIRE TOOK PLACE BY AGREEMENT OF THE TWO SIDES.  
IT WAS VERY HARD FOR THE ARMED FORCES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE  
FMN WAS SO MUCH POWER. THE FMN DID NOT ONLY ACCOMPLISH  
ALL OF THE ABOVE; IT ALSO SHOWED INES QUADALUPE QUARTE THE  
JUST REASONS BEHIND THE REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE. IT IS THE  
FMN'S POLICY TO EXPLAIN TO ALL ITS WAR PRISONERS ITS  
POLITICAL STANCE AND THE REASONS WHY WE STRUGGLE.

INES QUADALUPE QUARTE ISSUED A STATEMENT TO THE GUERRILLA  
STATIONS ON THE JUSTICE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE JUST AS  
SHE WAS BEING RELEASED AND WHEN NOTHING COULD BACKFIRE. THE  
REACTION OF INES QUADALUPE QUARTE, WHOM NAPOLEON  
QUARTE HUMBLEDY TOOK OUT OF THE COUNTRY, DROVE THE MILITARY TO  
THE FOLLOWING LOGICAL CONCLUSION: THAT THE HUMILIATION WAS TOO  
GREAT AND THE POLITICAL COST TOO HIGH TO PAY FOR A WORTHLESS  
CAUSE, FOR SOMEONE WHO THE MILITARY EXPECTED WOULD RAISE A  
VOICE AGAINST THE FMN, AND WHO ON THE CONTRARY, REFUSED  
NOT ONLY TO SPEAK AGAINST THE FMN, BUT ALSO TO APPEAR ON  
A TELEVISION SHOW THAT HAD BEEN PREPARED PRIOR TO HER  
RELEASE. BEFORE INES QUARTE'S STATEMENTS TO THE  
SERIAL RADIO STATIONS WERE KNOWN, BEFORE THEY WERE RELEASED OVER  
OUR STATIONS, THE MILITARY WERE ALREADY SAYING THAT ALL THEY HAD  
ACCOMPLISHED IN A YEAR WAS FALLING APART IN AN INSTANT. THE  
CRISIS WAS IN FULL SWING BEFORE RADIO VENCEREMOS BROADCAST  
INES QUARTE'S STATEMENT. HOWEVER, THE HUMILIATION HER STATEMENT  
IMPLIED BOTHERED OVER THE MILITARY'S CUP OF DISCONTENT.  
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((TEXT)) WITH REGARD TO INES DUARTE'S STATEMENT TO CHANNEL  
10, WE BELIEVE IT IS IRRELEVANT TO ARGUE NOW IF WHAT SHE SAID IS  
TRUE OR FALSE. THAT WILL BE UP TO HER DUARTE'S  
CONSCIENCE. HOWEVER, ONE CAN PRESUME THAT WHEN THE HUMILIATED  
MILITARY HEARD THE FIRST STATEMENTS SHE MADE -- TO THE REBEL  
RADIOS -- AND OBSERVED HERE DENY OR AT THE MOMENT SHE WAS  
RELEASED, THEY SAID TO NAPOLEON DUARTE: EITHER YOU HAVE THAT  
GIRL SPEAK AGAINST THE FMLN OR YOU PACK YOUR BAGS AND REQUEST  
WORK AS A COOK FOR THE KING AND QUEEN OF SPAIN.

WE SAID WE WILL NOT ARGUE IN THIS COMMENTARY IF INES  
DUARTE'S RECENT STATEMENT IS TRUE OR FALSE, THAT WE WILL  
LEAVE TO HER CONSCIENCE. BUT WE DO WANT TO DISCUSS THE  
REGIME'S INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION IN THE LIGHT OF HER  
STATEMENTS. HER STATEMENT CAME ALMOST 1 MONTH AFTER HER  
RELEASE, AFTER SHE REFUSED TO TALK TO THE PRESS AND DUARTE  
KEPT HIS HANDS OVER HER MOUTH DURING THEIR TOUR THROUGH THE  
UNITED STATES AND EUROPE. DUARTE SPOKE ABOUT THE SO-CALLED  
STOCKHOLM SYNDROME TO EXPLAIN WHAT WAS DESCRIBED AS  
INES DUARTE'S INTENSE IDENTIFICATION WITH HER CAPTORS.  
DUARTE SAID HIS DAUGHTER WAS BEING HELPED BY A PSYCHOLOGIST.  
INES DUARTE MADE THE STATEMENT TO OUR STATIONS AT  
THE PRECISE MOMENT SHE WAS RELEASED. CAN ANYONE REALLY  
BELIEVE THAT AFTER HAVING BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE  
REPRESENTATIVES OF HUMANITARIAN ORGANIZATIONS, CHURCH  
DIGNITARIES, AND MEMBERS OF THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, INES DUARTE  
WAS FORCED TO TURN BACK AND AFFECTIONATELY EMBRACE AND SAY  
GOODBYE TO THE FMLN FIGHTERS WHO WERE AT THE CEREMONY  
OF RELEASE? THAT EMBRACE, INES DUARTE'S REFUSAL TO MAKE  
ACCUSATION AGAINST THE FMLN, AND HER STATEMENT TO THE REBEL  
STATIONS HUMILIATED AND AMUSED THE MILITARY. THIS IS EVIDENTLY  
A CASE OF FAMILY, NOT POLITICAL CRISIS. THE ARMY HAD TO AVERSE  
THE HUMILIATION. DUARTE HAD TO DO SOMETHING TO PATCH  
UP THE PICTURE THAT EMERGED SHOWING ALL THE DIVISIONS. SO THE  
SIDES NEGOTIATED. INES DUARTE WENT BACK ON HER STATEMENTS  
TO THE GUERRILLA RADIOS AFTER ALMOST 1 MONTH OF SILENCE AND  
DORIS PEREZ SPOKE ABOUT THE ARMED FORCES'  
SUBORINATION TO DUARTE. THE PICTURE WAS PATCHED UP, BUT  
ONLY OUTWARDLY, BECAUSE THE CRISIS AND THE DIVISIONS PERSIST  
BENEATH THE PREPARED STATEMENTS. IT WILL NOT BE LONG  
BEFORE THEY SURFACE.

ONE QUESTION REMAINS: WHO PRESURED INES DUARTE INTO  
HAVING STATEMENTS? THE FMLN, WHICH INTERVIEWED HER AT THE

MOMENT OF HER RELEASE IN THE PRESENCE OF DIPLOMATS, CHURCHMEN, AND  
OTHERS DID THE FMLN PRESURE INES DUARTE TO REFUSE  
DURING 1 MONTH TO SPEAK LIES? OR DID NAPOLEON DUARTE AND REY  
PREPARED PRESURE HER TO ISSUE THOSE STATEMENTS PREPARED  
IN THE UNITED STATES 1 MONTH LATER AND TOLD TO A GOVERNMENT MEDIA  
WITH THE ONLY AID OF PATCHING UP A POLITICAL SITUATION?  
DUARTE'S PRAGMATISM, AS PORTRAYED IN THIS CASE, PROVES HIS POOR  
MORAL MAKEUP.

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EL SALVADOR: NAMES OF DUARTE KIDNAPPING NEGOTIATORS RELEASED

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PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2344 GMT 26 OCT 83

(TEXT) PANAMA CITY, 26 OCT ACAN-EFEJ -- MARIO  
AGUIRADA CARRANZA AND SALVADOR SAMAYOA WERE THE TWO  
PLENIPOTENTIARIES OF THE FMLN WHO NEGOTIATED IN PANAMA THE  
EXCHANGE OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE FOR THE IMPRISONED  
SALVADORAN GUERRILLAS.

A SOURCE CLOSE TO THE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE GUERRILLAS  
AND THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT DISCLOSED TODAY TO ACAN-EFE  
THE NAMES OF THE NEGOTIATORS WHO SIGNED THE "PACT OF PANAMA"  
IN PANAMA CITY THAT PUT AN END TO THE KIDNAPPING OF THE ELDEST  
DAUGHTER OF PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE.

THE PLENIPOTENTIARY AGUIRADA CARRANZA IS A MEMBER OF THE  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF EL SALVADOR (CPES) WHOSE ARMED WING IS  
THE ARMED FORCES OF LIBERATION (FAL).

THE OTHER FMLN NEGOTIATOR, MARIO SAMAYOA, WAS SALVADORAN  
EDUCATION MINISTER IN 1979, BUT HE LEFT THIS POST TO JOIN THE  
PEOPLE'S LIBERATION FORCES (PLF).

THE NEGOTIATIONS, ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, WERE CONDUCTED  
BETWEEN FOUR PERSONS: AGUIRADA AND SAMAYOA, FOR THE FMLN, AND  
CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JULIO AGUILA REY  
PRENDES AND ABRAHAM RODRIGUEZ, FIRST DESIGNATE TO THE  
PRESIDENCY OF EL SALVADOR, FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

AS MEDIATOR-WITNESSES OF THE NEGOTIATIONS THE ARCHBISHOP  
OF EL SALVADOR, ARTURO RIVERA Y BARRAS, AND FATHER IGNACIO  
ELLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY  
ALSO ATTENDED THE NEGOTIATIONS.

ALSO PRESENT AT SOME TIME DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS WERE  
SALVADORAN PLANNING MINISTER FIDEL CHAVEZ RENA AND ALJAMORO  
DUARTE, A BROTHER OF INES DUARTE.

THE FOUR NEGOTIATORS AND THE TWO MEDIATORS MET IN PANAMA EARLY  
IN THE AFTERNOON OF SUNDAY, 26 OCTOBER AND DID NOT REACH AN  
AGREEMENT UNTIL THE EARLY HOURS OF TUESDAY, THE 27TH.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE THAT REPORTED THIS TODAY TO  
ACAN-EFE, THE "PANAMA PACT" STIPULATED STEP-BY-STEP ALL THE  
DETAILS OF HOW THE WOMEN AND THE MOTHERS KIDNAPPED BY THE GUERRILLAS  
AS WELL AS THE GUERRILLAS IMPRISONED IN THE SALVADORAN JAILS WOULD  
BE RELEASED.

ONE OF THE MOST DISCUSSED AND STUDIED POINTS WAS THE RELEASE  
OF GUERRILLA COMMANDER NIDIA DIAZ, WHOSE MOVEMENTS FROM THE  
MOMENT SHE LEFT THE PRISON UNTIL SHE BOARDED THE PLANE THAT  
WOULD TAKE HER OUT OF THE COUNTRY WERE PLANNED AS A TRUE MILITARY  
OPERATION, THE SOURCE SAID.

THE PACT STIPULATED THAT THE FAMOUS GUERRILLA COMMANDER, AS  
WELL AS THE OTHER TWO REBEL CHIEFS, MARCELINO REYES AND SANTIAGO  
DE JESUS, WOULD BE DELIVERED AT THE TIME OF THEIR RELEASE TO A  
PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE.

THE FMLN DECIDED THAT THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT SHOULD  
TAKE CHARGE OF THE THREE GUERRILLA CHIEFS.

ACCORDING TO THE SAME SOURCE GIVING THE INFORMATION TO  
ACAN-EFE, THE FMLN GENERAL COMMAND DECIDED THAT COMMANDER  
NIDIA DIAZ AND REBEL CHIEFS MARCELINO REYES AND SANTIAGO  
DE JESUS SHOULD NOT REJOIN THE STRUGGLE, BUT LEAVE THE COUNTRY  
FOR CUBA.

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REUTER: DUARTE WEAKENS GOVERNMENT BY HANDLING KIDNAPPING

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9 OCT 85

(BY ROBERT BLOCK)

(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, OCT 9. REUTER -- PRESIDENT JOSE  
NAPOLEON DUARTE'S HANDLING OF HIS DAUGHTER'S KIDNAPPING HAS  
WEAKENED HIS GOVERNMENT AND SHAKEN HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE ARMED  
FORCES, MILITARY OFFICIALS, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND DIPLOMATS  
SAY.

THE RESULTS OF THE CRISIS, THEY ADDED, COULD BE THE LOSS OF  
THE PRESIDENT'S AUTHORITY, A WAVE OF LEFTIST GUERRILLA SPONSORED  
KIDNAPPINGS AND A WIDESPREAD ABUSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY THE ARMY  
IN ITS SIX-YEAR-OLD CIVIL WAR AGAINST THE GUERRILLAS.

"THIS IS THE BIGGEST CRISIS WE HAVE EVER FACED. I DON'T THINK  
THINGS ARE GOING TO BE QUITE THE SAME WITH THIS GOVERNMENT WHEN  
IT IS ALL OVER," ONE GOVERNMENT INSIDER SAID.

THE SOURCES AGREED THAT THE PROBLEMS STEMMED FROM DUARTE'S  
APPARENT IMPOTENCE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE KIDNAPPERS AND  
HIS WILLINGNESS TO GIVE IN TO THEIR DEMANDS.

MILITARY OFFICERS, IN PARTICULAR, EXPRESSED THEIR DISAGREEMENT  
WITH THE PRESIDENT'S DISPOSITION TO HAND OVER 35 OF THE 39 KIDNAPED  
PRISONERS THE KIDNAPPERS WANT IN RETURN FOR THE SON-IN-LAW OF  
DUARTE AND A WOMAN CAPTURED WITH HER LAST MONTH.

ARMY COMMANDERS INITIALLY SYMPATHIZED WITH DUARTE'S  
PREDICAMENT AND BACKED A PLAN TO RELEASE A HANDFUL OF REBEL  
PRISONERS. BUT THE POSITION WAS CHANGED IN ELIENT DAYS AS IT  
HAD BECOME APPARENT THAT DUARTE WAS READY TO COMPLY WITH NEARLY  
ALL THE KIDNAPPERS' WISHES.

DURING A RADIO CONTACT WITH THE KIDNAPPERS MONITORED BY  
REPORTERS LAST SATURDAY, DUARTE SAID HE HAD ALREADY RELEASED  
THREE PEOPLE ON THE KIDNAPPERS' LIST AND WAS READY TO FREE 22  
MORE. HE ALSO ASKED THEM FOR HELP TO CLARIFY THE CASES OF NINE  
OTHER REBELS THE GOVERNMENT COULD NOT ACCOUNT FOR.

MANY OFFICERS BELIEVE DUARTE WAS SOFT ON THE KIDNAPPERS AND  
PLACED FAMILY CONCERNS ABOVE NATIONAL INTERESTS.

"AS A FATHER WE UNDERSTAND HIM, BUT AS A PRESIDENT THERE IS  
ALSO THE BUSINESS OF NATIONAL SECURITY TO CONSIDER ... I ASK  
MYSELF WHETHER THE INTERESTS OF THE COUNTRY ARE INVOLVED IN ALL

THIS," A HIGH-RANKING FIELD COMMANDER TOLD REUTERS.

ACCORDING TO MILITARY OFFICERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS,  
DUARTE DUARTE'S ABDOCTION BY LEFTIST GUERRILLAS APPEARS TO BE  
AIMED AT WEAKENING DUARTE BY DRIVING A WEDGE BETWEEN HIS  
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT AND THE ARMED FORCES.

DUARTE'S ABILITY AS THE FIRST CIVILIAN PRESIDENT IN EL  
SALVADOR IN 30 YEARS TO WIN THE CONFIDENCE OF THE TOP BRASS  
HAS BEEN A KEY TO CONSOLIDATING POWER IN TURNING THE TIDE OF  
THE COUNTRY'S CIVIL WAR AGAINST THE GUERRILLAS.

OFFICIALS NOW SAY THAT WITH THE KIDNAPPING OF DUARTE'S  
FAVORITE CHILD, THE GUERRILLAS MIGHT SUCCEED IN THEIR ATTEMPTS  
TO REVERSE THIS PROCESS.

"IT WAS A GOOD BLOW THEY (THE GUERRILLAS) DEALT US. THE  
TENSIONS ARE GOING TO OPEN RIFTS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE  
ARMY. THE GOVERNMENT HAS ALREADY STARTED TO WEAKEN," A TOP  
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRAT AND KEY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL SAID.

THE OFFICIAL ADDED HIS MAIN FEAR WAS THAT HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES  
IN EL SALVADOR, NOW ON THE DECLINE, WOULD INCREASE BECAUSE MANY  
ARMY OFFICIALS ANGERED BY DUARTE'S DECISION MIGHT REFUSE TO  
TARE PRISONERS.

ONE TOP FIELD COMMANDER ALREADY TOLD REUTERS IT WAS 'NOT  
WORTH THE TROUBLE' TO CAPTURE GUERRILLAS IN GREAT ANY MORE IF  
THE GOVERNMENT WAS ONLY GOING TO ARBITRARILY RELEASE THEM LATER.

OTHER OFFICIALS ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT DUARTE'S  
NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE KIDNAPPERS MIGHT ENCOURAGE MORE ABDUCTIONS.  
THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION HAS TAKEN A DRAMATIC TURN SINCE  
THE DAYS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 30 KIDNAPPING.

GOVERNMENTS FROM AROUND THE WORLD HAVE CONDEMNED THE REBEL  
ACTION AND EXPRESSED SOLIDARITY WITH DUARTE, TUNING HIS PERSONAL  
TRAGEDY INTO SOMETHING OF A SHORT-LIVED POLITICAL GOLD MINE.

"THEY (THE GOVERNMENT) HAD THE INITIATIVE BUT THEY DON'T  
ANYMORE. IT WAS TURNED AROUND AND THEY LOST IT," ONE WESTERN  
DIPLOMAT SAID.

OFFICIALS NOW SAY THE SITUATION CAN ONLY GET WORSE AS THE  
NEGOTIATIONS DRAG ON.

DEFENCE MINISTER CARLOS EUGENIO VIDES CASABOVA, NAMED BY  
DUARTE TO A SPECIAL THREE-DAY COMMISSION TO ADVISE HIM ON  
NEGOTIATION STRATEGY, TOLD REUTERS THAT THE PRESIDENT WAS ANNOYED  
BY THE DELAY TO RESOLVE THE CRISIS AS FAST AS POSSIBLE SO THE  
GOVERNMENT COULD START TO REPAIR THE DAMAGE IT SUFFERED.

BUT SO FAR THERE ARE FEW SIGNS THAT THE KIDNAPPERS ARE WILLING  
TO COOPERATE WITH DUARTE AND THEY HAVE ALREADY REJECTED SOME  
OF HIS COUNTER-DEMANDS, SOURCES CLOSE TO THE TALKS SAY.

"NO MATTER WHAT THE RESULT, DUARTE IS GOING TO LOSE AUTHORITY,  
WHEN THE WAR TOUCHES HIM HE LOSES. HOW CAN HE HAVE AUTHORITY  
AFTER THAT?" ONE TALKS OFFICIAL SAID.

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EL SALVADOR: RIVERA Y DAMAS SAYS TALKS WITH REBELS "FRUITFUL"

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PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2306 GMT 16 OCT 83

(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, 16 OCT (ACAN-EFE) -- PRESIDENT  
JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE'S DAUGHTER MIGHT BE RELEASED DURING THE  
NEXT HOURS OR DAYS, IT WAS ASSERTED TODAY BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF  
SAN SALVADOR.

ARIUNO RIVERA Y DAMAS REVEALED TO VARIOUS JOURNALISTS THAT  
HE MET YESTERDAY WITH SIX GUERRILLA LEADERS ON THE ROAD TO  
SUCHITOTO, NORTH OF THIS CAPITAL, ACCOMPANIED BY JUAN CARLOS  
CELACERRIA, Rector of the CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY (UCA).

THE PRELATE SAID THAT THE SIX REBEL LEADERS REPRESENTED THE  
FIVE GROUPS WHICH COMPRISE THE FMLN AND THE CONVERSATION "WAS  
FRUITFUL, SO IT IS EXPECTED THAT THE RELEASE COULD TAKE PLACE  
WITHIN THE NEXT HOURS OR DAYS.

RIVERA Y DAMAS ALSO MET WITH REBEL LEADERS LAST SUNDAY IN  
NORTHERN CHALATENANGO DEPARTMENT WITH THE INTENTION OF ACTING  
AS MEDIATOR. YN 25-YEAR-OLD INES GUADALUPE DUARTE'S KIDNAPPING,  
WONIGHT JOURN PLACE LAST 10 SEPTEMBER IN THIS CAPITAL.

ALTHOUGH THE FMLN HAS NOT PUBLICLY CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY  
FOR THE KIDNAPPING OF DUARTE'S DAUGHTER, IT HAS ADMITTED TO THE  
CHURCH THAT IT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ACTION. THIS WAS STATED  
YESTERDAY BY GREGORIO ROSAS CHAVEZ, AUXILIARY BISHOP OF SAN  
SALVADOR.

THE REBELS ARE DEMANDING THE RELEASE OF 34 FMLN MEMBERS WHO  
ARE REPORTEDLY IN PRISON, IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF  
DUARTE'S DAUGHTER AND A FELLOW STUDENT WHO WAS KIDNAPPED THE SAME  
DAY.

DUARTE HELD A CONVERSATION WITH THE KIDNAPPERS OVER THE RADIO  
2 WEEKS AGO, AND ASSERTED THAT HE WAS WILLING TO RELEASE 22 OF THE  
GUERRILLA MEMBERS WHO ARE STILL IN PRISON.

RIVERA Y DAMAS REVEALED TODAY THAT NINE REBELS WHO ARE IN  
THE KIDNAPPERS' LIST ARE REPORTED MISSING, INCLUDING YARETH  
SAMOUR (COMMANDER FILOMENA), WHO WAS CAPTURED WITH MAXIMILIANO  
REYES ON 30 DECEMBER IN EASTERN SAN MIGUEL DEPARTMENT.

THE ARCHBISHOP SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS REPORTED IT DOES  
NOT KNOW WHERE YARETH SAMOUR IS, AND A FILE HAS BEEN OPENED FOR  
EACH ONE OF THE NINE CASES, WHICH ARE BEING INVESTIGATED BY A  
SPECIAL COMMISSION.

RIVERA Y DAMAS DID NOT PROVIDE DETAILS CONCERNING THE MEMBERS  
OF THE INVESTIGATING COMMISSION BECAUSE, HE SAID, THE GOVERNMENT  
SHOULD GIVE THESE DETAILS.

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(TEXT) JESUIT FATHER IGNACIO AYACURIAI, RECTOR OF THE  
CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN SAN SALVADOR, HAS ACCUSED  
SALVADORAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLION DUARTE OF HAVING GONE TO THE  
UNITED STATES TO MAKE FALSE STATEMENTS ABOUT THE KIDNAPPING OF  
HIS DAUGHTER, INES GUADALUPE, BY THE SALVADORAN GUERRILLAS. ))

AYACURIAI DENIED THAT HE RECEIVED ORDERS FROM THE NICARAGUAN  
GOVERNMENT IN THE NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE RELEASE OF INES GUADALUPE  
DUARTE AND HER FRIEND AS THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT FALSELY TOLD  
U.S. PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN.

AYACURIAI PARTICIPATED IN THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE FMLN  
FOR THE EXCHANGE OF INES GUADALUPE, ALONG WITH SAN SALVADORAN  
ARCHBISHOP MSGR ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS.

MEANWHILE, THE SALVADORAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION ACCUSED  
THE DUARTE REGIME OF VIOLATING THE GENEVA CONVENTIONS, THE  
ADDITIONAL PROTOCOLS, AND THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN  
RIGHTS. IT DESCRIBED AS TOTALLY FALSE THE OFFICIAL STATEMENTS THAT  
THERE IS A PROCESS OF DEMOCRACY IN EL SALVADOR. THE COMMISSION  
STRESSED THAT FOUR OF ITS MEMBERS HAVE BEEN ASSASSINATED AND THREE  
HAVE DISAPPEARED IN RECENT YEARS WHILE ITS PROPAGANDA SECRETARY,  
JOAQUIN CACERES, IS IMPRISONED UNDER A SUBVERSION CHARGES.  
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SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA P50 IN SPANISH 0045 OCT 25 OCT 83

(TEXT) THE MOST DIFFICULT PART OF THE KIDNAPPING OF MY DAUGHTER WAS TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT, PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE SAID THIS AFTERNOON WHEN HE HELD AN IMPROPTU NEWS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING THE CEREMONY TO LAY THE CORNERSTONE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WAREHOUSES FOR THE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK AT KM 38 AND 1/2 ON THE HIGHWAY TO SANTA ANA.

COMMENTING ON THE LATEST TALKS TO ARRIVE AT AN EXCHANGE WITH THE FMLN, PRESIDENT DUARTE SAID:

(BEGIN RECORDING) (DUARTE) WE MADE ALL KINDS OF OVERTURES, PERHAPS THE LAST ONE WAS THE ONE WE MADE IN PANAMA WHERE, OVER A PERIOD OF 3 CONSECUTIVE DAYS, WE WERE INVOLVED IN A CONSTANT SEARCH FOR A SOLUTION, THAT WE FINALLY REACHED. OF COURSE, IT WAS NOT EASY, PRIMARILY THE FIRST PART, WHEN WE DID NOT KNOW WHO WAS HOLDING HER, WHEN NEWSMEN WERE ACTUALLY TRYING TO CONFUSE PEOPLE. HOWEVER, SOON AFTERWARDS, THE NEWSMEN THEMSELVES DISCOVERED THE FACTS AND IT WAS THE WORLD'S NEWSMEN WHO ANNOUNCED THAT THIS KIDNAPPING HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT BY THE FMLN.

THUS, THE SECOND PART -- ONCE WE KNEW, ONCE THE ENTIRE WORLD KNEW, THE PRESIDENTS OF ALMOST THE ENTIRE WESTERN WORLD -- THERE WAS AN AVALANCHE OF SOLIDARITY AND THEY HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO ADMIT THAT THEY WERE HOLDING HER, AND THIS MADE IT EASIER TO PROCEED, BECAUSE WE THEN KNEW WHO WE HAD TO DEAL WITH TO SEEK A SOLUTION. THE INITIAL PROBLEM HAD BEEN THAT WE DID NOT KNOW WITH WHOM OR UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS WE HAD TO ACT. I THINK THAT THIS ANSWERS YOUR QUESTION.

((INDISTINCT QUESTION))

(DUARTE) I DO NOT HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA. I BELIEVE THAT THE TREATMENT BEGAN FROM THE MOMENT IN WHICH THEY DEPRIVED HER OF FREEDOM, WHEN THEY TOOK HER FROM THE TOWN, WHEN THEY PLACED A GUN TO HER HEAD AND TOLD HER THAT IF SHE DID NOT COOPERATE, SHE WOULD BE KILLED. THEY KIDNAPPED HER AND MADE HER WORK FOR HOURS UNTIL SHE WAS EXHAUSTED. AS TO THE TIME SPENT IN CAPTIVITY, I BELIEVE AND I HOPE THAT I WILL GRADUALLY LEARN ABOUT HOW SHE WAS TREATED. HOWEVER, I BELIEVE THAT THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS WHAT IT MEANS TO A PERSON, A WOMAN, A MOTHER, TO FEEL THAT SHE IS ABOUT TO DIE -- BECAUSE THEY FEEL THAT THEY ARE ON THE VERGE OF DEATH -- OR TO FEEL THAT SHE WILL BE SEPARATED FROM HER CHILDREN, FROM HER FAMILY, FOR A LONG TIME. IT IS A PSYCHOLOGICAL PRISONERSHIP, MORE THAN A PHYSICAL ONE. I THINK THAT WE CAN ALL UNDERSTAND THIS, AND THAT IS WHY THERE MUST BE A PROCESS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL DECOMPRESSION SO THAT SHE CAN RETURN TO NORMAL.

THUS, THIS IS WHAT I MUST ACCOMPLISH, SO I THINK THAT YOU

WILL UNDERSTAND WHY I AM NOT GOING TO EXPOSE HER TO QUESTIONS OR INTERVIEWS, BECAUSE IT IS PART OF THE PROCESS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL DECOMPRESSION FROM WHAT SHE HAS ENDURED FOR 48 DAYS. THAT IS ALL THAT I CAN SAY. ARE THERE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

((INDISTINCT QUESTION))

(DUARTE) I BELIEVE THAT ALL THESE THINGS HAVE ADVANTAGES AND DISADVANTAGES, POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE FACTORS. I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT THE ENTIRE WORLD CANNOT IGNORE AND THAT IS THAT THE CONDUCT OF THE GOVERNMENT, AND THE CONDUCT OF THE PRESIDENT HAS BEEN HORRIBLE. WE HAVE NEGOTIATED, NOT ONLY FOR THE LIFE OF MY DAUGHTER, BUT ALSO FOR THE DRYDIES, WITHOUT NEGOTIATING ABOUT HUMANITARIAN FACTORS. FOR EXAMPLE, AT THIS VERY MOMENT, 100 DISABLED PERSONS WHO WERE IN THE MOUNTAINS ARE BEING GATHERED TOGETHER AND WILL NOW BE ABLE TO LEAVE.

IT WAS A HUMANITARIAN CONCEPT, AND I BELIEVE THAT THIS WAS ADVANTAGEOUS FOR THE PROCESS THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS CARRIED OUT. WELL THEN, THE MATTER OF POLITICAL COST HAS BEEN MENTIONED. ACTUALLY, THERE ARE ALWAYS NEGATIVE FACTORS. I THINK THAT YOU SAW TODAY'S EDITORIAL IN EL DIARIO DE HOY. I THINK THAT YOU HAVE SEEN THE PROPAGANDA THAT HAS BEEN CARRIED OUT. YOU HAVE SEEN THE THREATS MADE BY ARENA (NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE). THERE ARE MEMBERS OF ARENA WHO DO NOT AGREE WITH THE CONCEPT, THIS GOVERNMENT HAS BASED ITS ACTIONS ON HUMANISM, AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO CONSIDER HUMANISM TO BE BASIC. SECRET 250045 25/0200Z OCT

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(TEXT) THEREFORE, EVEN THOUGH THE ATTACKS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE MAY HAVE SOME NEGATIVE FACTORS, I BELIEVE THAT IN THE LONG RUN, THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE WILL BENEFIT, BECAUSE THERE IS A DIFFERENT WAY TO FACE THINGS. IT IS NOT ONE OF HATRED OR REVENGE; IT IS NOT ONE OF REVENGE. IT IS A HUMAN WAY, A WAY IN WHICH THIS GOVERNMENT IS COMMITTED TO CONTINUE IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE.

WE KNOW THAT THESE PERSONS NOW BEING RELEASED WILL PICK UP A RIFLE AGAIN AND CONTINUE TO POSSIBLY DO HARM TO THE NATION. THAT IS UNDESIRABLE SOMETHING WE CANNOT IGNORE. NEITHER CAN WE IGNORE THAT THE ENTIRE CONFLICT IS WEARING OUT, NOT THE GOVERNMENT, BUT THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE. THEN, MY WORK SHOULD BE TO HELP THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE COME OUT OF THIS CONFLICT AND GAIN PEACE, AND TO SEEK ITS HUMANIZATION THROUGH THE EFFORT OF DEMOCRATIZATION BY ALL IN ORDER TO FIND THE POLITICAL SPACE REQUIRED SO THAT ALL SECTORS, FROM THE EXTREME RIGHT TO THE EXTREME LEFT, MAY ABANDON VIOLENCE IN FAVOR OF PEACE AND PARTICIPATION, IN WHICH THIS GOVERNMENT IS INTERESTED. THUS, AFTER MAKING A BALANCE OF THINGS, THIS WILL BE POSITIVE FOR THE COUNTRY.

OF COURSE, WE CANNOT IGNORE THAT WE ARE UNDERGOING A PROCESS OF SCALING TERRORISM; THAT SUCH A PROCESS HAS ITS METHODS AND OBJECTIVES; AND THAT IT IS SPREADING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. IF YOU READ THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS, YOU WILL SEE HOW EVERYDAY THE ENTIRE PROCESS IS BECOMING MORE IDENTIFIED. OF COURSE, THE KIDNAPPING OF MY DAUGHTERS AND THE KIDNAPPING OF THE MAYORS, IS ACTUALLY A PROCESS OF REINTEGRATION, RATHER, OF LEGITIMIZATION, OF THE CONFLICT. IT IS A SAD FACT; THEREFORE, WE MUST CONSIDER IT BEFORE THE WORLD AND ASK THE WORLD TO THINK IT OVER; THAT IN THE MEASURE IN WHICH THERE ARE NATIONS THAT OFFER SANCTUARY TO TERRORISTS, AS IN THE CASE OF NICARAGUA, WHICH HAS PROVIDED SANCTUARY TO TERRORISTS, OR AS IN THE CASE OF OTHER NATIONS WHO FACILITATE SANCTUARY TO TERRORISTS, IN THAT SAME MEASURE, INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND PIRACY, THE KIDNAPPING OF PLANES AND SHIPS, MURDER, AND SO FORTH, WILL CONTINUE TO GAIN AN EVER GROWING DIMENSION IF THE NATIONS DO NOT DECIDE PROMPTLY TO FIND A SOLUTION TO PREVENT THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TERRORIST PROCESS IN THE WORLD. I THINK THIS IS THE CONCLUSION I HAVE REACHED OUT OF THIS (INCIDENT). (END RECORDING)

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EL SALVADOR: FOR'S UNGO REACTS TO INES QUARTE'S RELEASE

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PARIS AFP IN SPANISH 0020 GMT 25 OCT 83

(TEXT) SAN JOSE, 24 OCT (AFP) -- GUILLERMO UNGO, TOP LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION REVOLUTIONARY DEMOCRATIC FRONT (RDF), VOICED HIS SATISFACTION OVER THE RESOLUTION OF THE KIDNAPPING OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE, DAUGHTER OF SALVADORAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON QUARTE.

INES GUADALUPE WAS RELEASED TODAY AFTER BEING HELD HOSTAGE FOR 41 DAYS, IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF 22 POLITICAL PRISONERS AND THE DEPARTURE FROM THE COUNTRY OF 88 NAMED REBELS.

"THAT DEMONSTRATES THAT AN UNDERSTANDING THROUGH DIALOGUE AND NEGOTIATION IS POSSIBLE EVEN IN THE MOST DIFFICULT SITUATIONS," UNGO SAID, STRESSING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE CHURCH AND GOVERNMENTS OF THE FRG, FRANCE, AND MEXICO IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

HOWEVER, UNGO EXPLAINED THAT THE RDF "HAD NO INVOLVEMENT IN THE NEGOTIATIONS" BECAUSE "IT HAD NO PARTICIPATION IN THE KIDNAPPING."

THE SALVADORAN OPPOSITION LEADER, WHO IS PARTICIPATING IN A SEMINAR ON NEW FORMS OF COOPERATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND CENTRAL AMERICA HERE, ADDED THAT "ONE CANNOT IGNORE THAT QUARTE'S DAUGHTER IS A PERSON WHO IS NOT INVOLVED DIRECTLY IN THE WAR STRATEGY."

"HOWEVER," HE INDICATED, "COUNTERINSURRENCY IMPLIES A SIXTY WAR ON THE PART OF THE GOVERNMENT WHICH LEAVES THOUSANDS OF DEAD AND MISSING, INCLUDING MANY RELATIVES, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN SUSPECTED OF BELONGING TO OR COLLABORATING WITH THE FOR AND THE FMLN."

"THE FMLN," HE SAID, "DOES NOT HAVE THAT ATTITUDE."

THE KIDNAPPING AND RELEASE OF INES QUARTE, IN UNGO'S OPINION, MAY HAVE AMBIVALENT RESULTS, POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE, BUT ABOVE ALL "IT STRESSES AGAIN THE NEED FOR DIALOGUE AND NEGOTIATION."

IN EL SALVADOR, UNGO NOTED, THE IMPORTANT THING "IS DIALOGUE, WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE TREATMENT OF CIVILIANS AND RESPECT OF THE RELATIVES OF COMBATANTS ON BOTH SIDES."

MAINTAINING CAUTION REGARDING THE RECENT OUTCOME OF THE SITUATION, HE LIMITED HIMSELF TO SAYING THAT THIS INCIDENT "MAY SERVE TO REINITIATE THE DIALOGUE OR TO HARDSHEN POSITIONS."

ON THE REPERCUSSIONS THAT THE KIDNAPPING MIGHT HAVE ON THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT, UNGO INDICATED THAT "QUARTE CAN EMERGE STRENGTHENED OR WEAKENED, IT ALL DEPENDS ON HOW HE FACES THE FUTURE," ABOUT THE "IT IS CLEAR THAT THE RIGHT IS NOT GOING TO

SUPPORT HIM, THAT HIS RELATIONS WITH THE RIGHT HAVE DETERIORATED," HEARNVILLE, COSTA RICAN PILOT JULIO ROMERO TALavera, WHO WAS AMONG THE 22 PRISONERS RELEASED BY THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT, ARRIVED IN THE COUNTRY THIS AFTERNOON.

ROMERO WAS SERVING A 25-YEAR SENTENCE IMPOSED BY THE MILITARY TRIBUNAL THAT ACCUSED HIM IN EL SALVADOR OF COLLABORATING WITH THE GUERRILLAS OF THAT COUNTRY.

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(TEXT) OF "COMMUNIQUE" OF THE FMLN TO THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE  
AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY -- READ BY ANNOUNCER(S)

(TEXT) THE FMLN GENERAL COMMAND HEREBY OFFICIALLY  
ANNOUNCES TO THE SALVADORAN PEOPLE AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY:

1. AT 1300 ON 10 SEPTEMBER 1985, OUR URBAN PEDRO PABLO  
CASTILLO COMMAND CARRIED OUT THE OPERATION CALLED "ENOUGH OF  
TERROR, TORTURE AND DISAPPEARANCES IN THE PRISONS OF THE QUARTIST  
DICTATORSHIP." THE OPERATION CONSISTED OF CAPTURING IN SAN  
SALVADOR THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY (COPES) OFFICIAL AND  
MANAGER OF RADIO LIBERTAD LINKED TO THE PSYCHOLOGICAL WAR  
APPARATUS OF THE COUNTERINSURGENCY PLAN, INES GUADALUPE QUARTE  
DURAN, DAUGHTER OF NAPOLEON QUARTE. THE PEDRO PABLO  
CASTILLO COMMAND OF THE FMLN CARRIED OUT ITS MISSION  
IMPECCABLY, ANNIHILATING THE BODYGUARDS OF THE OFFICIAL, AND  
CAPTURING HER WITHOUT CAUSING HER ANY HARM AND WITHDRAWING TO AN  
AREA CONTROLLED BY THE FMLN. IN SPITE OF THE LARGE MILITARY  
DEPLOYMENT BY THE PUPPET ARMY, THE OPERATION WAS CARRIED OUT WELL  
IN ALL PHASES, WITH NO PROBLEMS.

2. IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROCESS OF  
NEGOTIATIONS, THE FMLN ABSTAINED FROM GIVING ANY INFORMATION OR  
PUBLICLY ADMITTING THE AUTHORITY OF THE CAPTURE OPERATION OF THE  
OFFICIAL.

3. INITIALLY, OUR FRONTS DEMANDED THE RELEASE OF 34 POLITICAL  
PRISONERS, OF WHICH 8 HAVE DISAPPEARED FROM THE PRISONS OF THE  
NAPOLEON QUARTE'S REGIME. THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE PROCESS OF  
LIBERATION, WE REMAINED FIRM AND UNFLEXIBLE IN OUR DEMANDS TO  
DETERMINE WHAT THE SITUATION OF THESE NINE COMPANEROS, WHO HAVE  
DISAPPEARED ACTUALLY WAS: JAYET JAGOUR HASBUN, MAXIMILIANO REYES,  
LILDA RAMOS, SAUL VILLALTA, ARDOLA ANTONIO WANDAL, CARLOS  
PORTILLO, OSCAR ARMANDO CAMPOS, AND MARIS ALEJANDRO AGUIRRE.  
NAPOLEON QUARTE WAS UNABLE TO GIVE US A COHERENT AND SATISFACTORY  
REPLY ON THE SITUATION OF THESE COMPANEROS. THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE NEGOTIATIONS SHOWED LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION THE  
GROSS REALITY OF OUR COUNTRY WHERE THE REGIME KIDNAPS AND TORTURES,  
MAKES PEOPLE DISAPPEAR, ENGAGES IN SELECTIVE AND MASSIVE MURDERS,  
AND CARRIES OUT INDISCRIMINATE BOMBINGS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION.  
IN SPITE OF THE PROPAGANDA EFFORTS OF THE PUC TO APPEAR AS

VICTIMS, THEY HAVE BEEN UNCOVERED AS CRIMINALS. THESE NINE  
COMPANEROS HAVE DISAPPEARED FROM THE QUARTIST PRISONS, AND THE  
MURDER OF OTHERS SUCH AS COMMANDER DOROTEO GOMEZ ARIAS, THE  
TORTURE, AND THE PERMANENT VIOLATIONS OF ALL THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE  
PRISONERS MAKE LEGITIMATE AND REAFFIRM THE JUSTICE OF OUR OPERATIONS.

THERE ARE OVER 50,000 FAMILIES IN OUR COUNTRY, OVER 50,000  
FATHERS AND MOTHERS AND BROTHERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED THE SORROW OF  
THE DISAPPEARANCES AND DEATHS OF THEIR CHILDREN, BROTHERS, OR  
SPOUSES. NOW NAPOLEON QUARTE KNOWS, IN A SMALL MEASURE, THAT  
ASPECT OF FAMILY SORROW OF SO MANY HUMBLE FAMILIES, BUT CAN NEVER  
BE COMPARED, AS HE LIVES IN ABUNDANCE AND COMFORT. WHILE NAPOLEON  
QUARTE AND HIS GOVERNMENT TORTURES, MAKES DISAPPEAR, AND MURDERS  
PATRIOTS, THE FMLN FULLY RESPECTED THE RIGHTS OF THE CAPTURED  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL, AND THE CITY MAYORS WERE TREATED LIKEWISE.  
ONLY THE REGIME'S AIR FORCE AND ARTILLERY, AT TIMES, REPRESENTED  
A THREAT TO THE PRISONERS HELD BY THE FMLN.

4. WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THIS NEGOTIATION, WE INCLUDED  
DEFINING THE SITUATION OF THE 23 MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS OF  
NAPOLEON QUARTE'S GOVERNMENT WHO WERE PRISONERS OF THE FMLN, AS  
THEY FORM PART OF THE POLITICAL ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNTERINSURGENCY  
PLAN PROMOTED BY DONALD REAGAN'S ADMINISTRATION IN OUR COUNTRY.  
CONTINUING WITH THE REGIME'S POLICY TOWARD THESE OFFICIALS, THE  
GOVERNMENT TRIED AT THE LAST MINUTE TO EXCLUDE THE RELEASE OF THE  
MAYORS FROM THE NEGOTIATIONS IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT THEY HAD BEEN  
INSTRUMENTAL IN THE QUARTE PROJECT AND IN SPITE OF THE EFFORTS OF  
THEIR RELATIVES. IT WAS DUE TO THE MEDIATION OF OTHER COUNTRIES  
AND OF THE CHURCH THAT THE CASE OF THE MAYORS WAS INCLUDED. THE  
GOVERNMENT WANTED THEM TO CONTINUE AS PRISONERS AND TO OBTAIN THE  
RELEASE OF THE COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY OFFICIAL ONLY.

5. AFTER SEVERAL WEEKS OF DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS AND IN THE LAST  
PHASE WITH THE MEDIATION OF THE CHURCH AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM  
OTHER GOVERNMENTS, THE NEGOTIATIONS PROCESS WAS CONCLUDED,  
OBTAINING A STRATEGIC VICTORY FOR THE FMLN. WE OBTAINED THE  
RELEASE OF 26 POLITICAL PRISONERS, 4 OF WHOM WERE RELEASED DURING  
THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND 22 WERE RELEASED TODAY, 24 OCTOBER 1985. WE  
HEREBY REPORT THAT THREE OF THOSE RELEASED COMPANEROS, WHO REQUIRE  
SPECIALIZED MEDICAL ATTENTION DUE TO THE TORTURE INFLECTED ON THEM  
WHILE THEY WERE IN THE QUARTIST PRISONS, HAVE ALREADY BEEN TAKEN  
ABROAD TO RECOVER. COSTA RICAN CITIZEN JULIO ROMERO TALAVERA  
HAS RETURNED TO HIS COUNTRY. THE REST, 18 COMPANEROS WHO WERE  
DELIVERED IN TENDALINGO, HAVE REJOINED THE WAR FRONTS IN AREAS  
CONTROLLED BY US AND THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY'S BARRS IN ORDER TO TAKE  
UP ARMS AND CONTINUE FIGHTING THE DICTATORSHIP AND IMPERIALISM.  
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(TEXT) THE RELEASE OF OUR COMPANEROS WAS OBTAINED IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF THE PDC OFFICIALS (MEL DUARTE AND HER FRIENDS, LIKEWISE, AND IN SPITE OF THE TENACIOUS RESISTANCE OF THE GOVERNMENT, WE OBTAINED A GUARANTEE THAT 36 DISABLED WAR PERSONS FROM THE FMLN WOULD BE TAKEN AHEAD FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF THE MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS CAPTURED BY THE FMLN.

THE YANKEE-EMBASSY IN EL SALVADOR RECOMMENDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE WOUNDED FMLN PRISONERS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY BE DENIED. THE REFUSAL OF THIS ASPECT UP TO THE LAST MOMENT PROVES THAT NAPOLEON DUARTE'S GOVERNMENT VIOLATED INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS REGARDING COMBATANTS WOUNDED IN WAR, AS STIPULATED IN THE GENEVA CONVENTION, AND WAS ALSO A CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE AYASUALO AGREEMENT.

THIS HAS BEEN THE SECOND OPPORTUNITY, IN WHICH, ONLY UNDER PRESSURE, AND DUE TO THE MEDIATION OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS, OF THE CHURCH, AND OF THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS, NAPOLEON DUARTE, THE YANKEES AND THE HIGH COMMANDERS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO COMPLY WITH AN ESTABLISHED MECHANISM WHICH IS RESPECTED BY THE COUNTRIES AND GOVERNMENTS THAT RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS.

THIS DUARTEIST POLICY UNVEILED TO THE WORLD THE CRIMINAL AND CRUEL NATURE OF THE DUARTEIST DICTATORSHIP, ITS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, ITS PERSECUTION OF OUR HOSPITALS AND FIELD CLINICS, AND EVEN ITS LACK OF CONCERN OVER THE FATE OF THE MAYORS AND MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS WHOSE AREA OF CAPTIVITY IN OUR TERRITORIES WAS SEARCHED IN ORDER TO BOMB AND EXTERMINATE THEM. (HAS HEARD -- FRIS)

6. THE TOTAL SUCCESS OF THE "ENOUGH OF TERROR, TORTURES, AND DISAPPEARANCES IN THE PRISONS OF THE DUARTEIST DICTATORSHIP," ACTION CARRIED OUT BY OUR PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO COMMANDO, AS WELL AS THE EXECUTION OF THE U.S. MARINES AT THE ZONA ROTA IN SAN SALVADOR SHOW THE SCOPE AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY ACTIONS DEEP IN THE ENEMY'S REARQUARTERS, AND FAITHFULLY REFLECTS THE CAPACITY, COHESION, AND MONOLITHIC UNITY OF OUR FMLN.

THE MAGNITUDE OF THE EXCHANGE OPERATION CARRIED OUT TODAY 24 OCTOBER, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS AND DIPLOMATS FROM SEVERAL COUNTRIES, CONSISTING OF PARTIAL EXCHANGE OPERATIONS IN ALMOST ALL PARTS OF OUR NATIONAL TERRITORY: MORATAN GUATEMANGO, SAN VICENTE, TRES CALES,

JUCHARAN, GUKZAPA, SANTA ANA, SAN SALVADOR, AND TENANCIHGO, ONCE AGAIN AND UNOBJECTIONABLE DEMONSTRATES THE TERRITORIAL EXPANSION OF OUR FORCES AND THE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF OUR POWER. THIS VICTORY JUSTLY REFLECTS THE FMLN'S DEVELOPMENT AND CAPABILITIES. IN ADDITION, THE "ENOUGH OF TERROR, TORTURES, AND DISAPPEARANCES IN THE PRISONS OF THE DUARTEIST DICTATORSHIP OPERATION" CONSTITUTES THE HEAVIEST BLOW AGAINST NAPOLEON DUARTE'S DICTATORSHIP BY THE FMLN TO DEMAND RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS. WE HAVE TOLD THEM IN AN ELOQUENT AND DEFINITIVE MANNER THAT WE ARE NOT GOING TO ALLOW THE CONTINUATION OF THE POLICY OF KIDNAPPINGS, TORTURES, DISAPPEARANCES, INDISCRIMINATE BOMBINGS, AND TERROR AGAINST OUR PEOPLE. WE HAVE ALSO WARNED THEM THAT WE WILL CONTINUE STRUGGLING UNTIL THE MISDEEDS OF THE MISSING PATRIOTS IS CLARIFIED.

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(TEXT) THIS OPERATION IS THE BIGGEST VICTORY ACHIEVED SO FAR IN THE STRUGGLE FOR THE LIBERATION OF THE BEST SONS OF OUR HOMELAND, WHO HAVE BEEN HELD PRISONER BY THE REGIME, BUT WHO, WITH THE HIGHEST REVOLUTIONARY WEAPONS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE MORAL STATURE OF THE MEN WHO FULLY COMMITTED TO THEIR PEOPLE'S CAUSE DEFEAT THE TORTURES OF THE MURDERERS.

THIS VICTORIOUS OPERATION CARRIED OUT BY OUR PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO COMMANDO HAS PROVED THE WEAKNESS OF THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT TO THE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC. IT HAS ALSO DISCLOSED THE INSURMOUNTABLE DIVISIONS BETWEEN NAPOLEON GUANTE AND THE PDC; THE RIFTS BETWEEN THE PDC AND THE PUPPET ARMY; THE INTERNAL BRANCHES WITHIN THE ARMY. THIS VICTORIOUS OPERATION INVOLVED THE DEEPEST DEMORALIZATION AND WEAKENING OF A REGIME HEADED BY A DESPERATE PRESIDENT WHO BEGAN TO EVACUATE HIS FAMILY FROM THE COUNTRY BECAUSE 50,000 SOLDIERS WERE NO LONGER ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM FEEL SAFE.

THIS DECAYING PICTURE OF THE PUPPET GOVERNMENT REFLECTS THE DECAY OF THE YANKEE PROJECT AND OF ITS PLANS FOR AN ILLUSORY MILITARY VICTORY OVER THE FMLN. IN THIS SENSE, WE REAFFIRM OUR POLITICAL WILLINGNESS TO HOLD TALKS AND TO SEEK A NEGOTIATED POLITICAL SOLUTION.

THE FMLN PUBLICLY EXPRESSES ITS GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF MEXICO, PANAMA, COLOMBIA, SWITZERLAND, CUBA, THE FRG, FRANCE, SWEDEN, COSTA RICA, SPAIN, AND PERU. WE THANK PRIEST AND DOCTOR IGNACIO ILLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN UNIVERSITY; ARCHBISHOP OF SAN SALVADOR HERRERA RIVERA Y ORRERA; VILLY BRANDT AND HANS VISCHNEVSKI OF THE SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL. WE ALSO THANK THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS COMMITTEE, WHICH FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS, GUARANTEED THE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS AND THE EVACUATION OF THE WOUNDED SO THAT THEY CAN RECEIVE PROPER MEDICAL ATTENTION.

THE FMLN GENERAL COMMAND SENDS REVOLUTIONARY AND COMBATIVE GREETINGS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO COMMANDO, TO THE COMPANEROS POLITICAL PRISONERS WHO WERE FREED TODAY, AND WHO DEFEATED THE TORTURE OF THE ENEMIES OF THE PEOPLE WHILE IN JAIL. WE SALUTE THE FMLN FIGHTERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 10 OCTOBER VICTORIOUS BATTLE WHICH CONSISTED OF THE ATTACK AND OCCUPATION

OF THE ARMED FORCES MILITARY TRAINING CENTER. WE SALUTE ALL OUR FIGHTERS IN ALL THE ROADS AND THROUGHOUT THE NATIONAL TERRITORY, WHO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH OUR STIPULATIONS. WE ALSO SEND SPECIAL GREETINGS TO THE PATRIOTS WHO ARE STILL WAGING THE MOST DIGNIFIED STRUGGLE AGAINST THE MURDERERS FROM THE DICTATORSHIP'S JAILS.

WE REAFFIRM OUR STEADFAST DETERMINATION TO FIGHT UNTIL WE ERADICATE ONCE AND FOR ALL FROM OUR HOMELAND THE IGNOMINIOUS PRACTICE OF TERROR, STATE TERRORISM, TORTURE, AND DISAPPEARANCES.

LONG LIVE THE VICTORIOUS OPERATION "ENOUGH OF TERROR, TORTURE, AND DISAPPEARANCES IN THE PRISONS OF THE QUANTIST DICTATORSHIP."

LONG LIVE THE PATRIOTIC STRUGGLE OF THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST FIGHTERS!

DEAT TO THE QUANTIST DICTATORSHIP AND YANKEE IMPERIALISM  
REVOLUTION OR DEATH, WE WILL WIN!

FMLN GENERAL COMMAND

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EL SALVADOR: KEY PHRASES COMMENTS ON QUARTE KIDNAPPING

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SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA YSU IN SPANISH 1900 GMT 30 SEP 83

(TEXT) CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JULIO ANOLFO  
KEY PHRASES ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS INVOLVING THE  
KIDNAPPING OF THE DAUGHTER OF SALVADORIAN PRESIDENT JOSE  
NAPOLEON -- FRISIE QUARTE ARE STAGNANT. HE SAID THAT THE  
GOVERNMENT IS MAINTAINING A POSITION OF SILENCE IN THIS REGARD SO  
THAT THE CASE IS NOT HAMPERS BY MEDIA INFORMATION, AND FOR THIS  
REASON IT CANNOT BE EXPLAINED WHY THE NEGOTIATIONS ARE STAGNANT.

HE SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT SAID THAT THE KIDNAPPERS  
WANT THE RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE  
OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE SURAN.

THE LATEST CONTACT WITH THE KIDNAPPERS TOOK PLACE LAST FRIDAY,  
AND NO OTHER CONTACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED SINCE THEN. REFERRING  
TO THE KIDNAPPERS, KEY PHRASES SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT  
SAID THAT THE GUERRILLAS ARE HOLDING HER. HE SAID THE FOLLOWING IN  
THIS REGARD:

(INFORM RECORDING) WE HAVE ONLY TALKED ABOUT THE PERSONS  
WHO HAVE POINTED TO THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE HER. WE HAVE REFERRED TO  
QUESTIONS FROM REPORTERS AND TO EXPRESSIONS OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF  
(LORD INTRINSIC) WHO SAYS THAT THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE FIVE  
GUERRILLAS HAVE HER.

WE HAVE COMPLETELY DISCARDED THE IDEA THAT THE KIDNAPPING WAS  
CARRIED OUT BY THE RIGHT. WE HAVE ALSO DISCARDED THE IDEA THAT THE  
KIDNAPPING WAS CARRIED OUT BY A GUERRILLA DISSIDENT GROUP SUCH AS  
THE CLARA ELIZABETH RAMIREZ GROUP. THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS,  
WHICH HAVE NOT NECESSARILY RESULTED FROM COMMUNICATION WITH THE  
KIDNAPPERS BUT FROM OTHER SOURCES, THAT HAVE CONFIRMED THE FACT THAT  
IT IS THE FIVE WHO HAS KIDNAPPED THE GUADALUPE AND SECILIA  
(VILLODA -- FRISIE).

A PHOTO SHOWS THAT JUST AS HAS BEEN REPORTED, AND AS THE WHOLE  
WORLD KNOWS, AND EVEN I HAVE ACCEPTED THIS, THE COMMAND GROUP THAT  
KIDNAPPED HER IS KNOWN AS THE PEDRO CASTILLO COMMANDO. ACCORDING  
TO REPORTS FROM OTHER SOURCES, THIS GROUP IDENTIFIED ITSELF AS AN  
FIVE COMMANDO, THE FACT THAT THE FIVE GENERAL COMMAND HAS  
NEITHER DENIED NOR CONFIRMED THIS, INDICATED THAT THEY ARE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KIDNAPPING.

THEY HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DISTRIBUTING LEAFLETS AND PLACING POSTERS  
IN THE CHALATENANGO AREA. WE HAVE SOME OF THOSE POSTERS IN WHICH  
THEY SPEAK OF THE PEDRO CASTILLO FRONT AS A SPECIAL FRONT  
OF THE POLITICAL PRISONERS, ETC., AND IDENTIFY IT AS A FIVE FIVE  
FRONT. (END RECORDING)

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS STUDYING THE POSSIBILITY OF

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SALVADORAN OFFICIALS REPORTEDLY NEGOTIATE KIDNAPPING IN PANAMA

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PARIS AFP IN SPANISH 2317 GMT 21 OCT 85

(TEXT) PANAMA CITY, 21 OCT (APR) -- RELIABLE SOURCES  
HAVE REPORTED HERE THAT ABRAHAM RODRIGUEZ AND ADOLFO REY  
PRENDES, SALVADORAN FIRST PRESIDENTIAL DESIGNATE AND COMMUNICATIONS  
MINISTER, RESPECTIVELY, HAVE ARRIVED IN PANAMA CITY TO NEGOTIATE  
THE RELEASE OF SALVADORAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE'S  
DAUGHTER WITH GUERRILLA REPRESENTATIVES.

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT A SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT PLANE  
WAS ABOUT TO ARRIVE AT ANY TIME TO PICK UP THE OFFICIALS.

MEANWHILE, MEMBERS OF THE PRESS ARE WAITING AT THE PANAMA CITY  
AIRPORT FOR REY PRENDES, RODRIGUEZ, AND SAN SALVADOR ARCHBISHOP  
ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS TO DEPART. IT IS REPORTED THAT THE  
ARCHBISHOP ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THE TALKS HELD TODAY AND YESTERDAY  
IN A PANAMA CITY HOTEL.

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT THE ARCHBISHOP IS ACCOMPANIED BY  
IGNACIO ELLACURIA, RECTOR OF THE SAN SALVADOR CENTRAL AMERICAN  
UNIVERSITY.

INES GUADALUPE DUARTE AND HER FRIEND ANA VILLEDA WERE  
KIDNAPPED ON 10 SEPTEMBER. IN EXCHANGE FOR THEIR FREEDOM, THE  
ABDUCTORS DEMAND THE RELEASE OF SEVERAL DOZEN POLITICAL PRISONERS.  
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SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA SONORA IN SPANISH 1300 GMT  
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(INTERVIEW GIVEN BY GUILLERMO MANUEL UNGO, FOR PRESIDENT,  
TO CORRESPONDENTS NELSON LOPEZ AND ROMERO CASTANEDA; DATE AND  
PLACE NOT GIVEN -- LIVE ON RECORDING)

(TEXT) (LOPEZ) ON UNGO, REGARDING THIS OCCURRENCE, THE  
FOR HAS INDICATED THAT THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO INFORMATION ON THE  
IDENTITY OF THE KIDNAPPERS OF THIS GUERRILLA QUARTE. WHAT  
CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THIS AND THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO  
ORGANIZATION THAT HAS BEEN MENTIONED?

(UNGO) SO FAR, WE DO NOT KNOW THE IDENTITY OF THE KIDNAPPERS  
OF QUARTE'S DAUGHTER. WE OF THE FOR HAVE INFORMATION ON QUARTE,  
NAMELY, THAT WE DON'T KNOW WHO THE KIDNAPPERS ARE. IN ADDITION,  
IT IS OBVIOUS TO US THAT A POLITICAL FRONT COULD NOT HAVE CARRIED  
OUT THIS TYPE OF ACTIVITY. ALSO, WE KNOW THE SITUATION CAN BE  
HANDLED PROPERLY SO THAT HIS LIFE CAN BE SAVED.

THIS IS WHY WE ARE CONCERNED OVER MEDIA LIES AND PUBLIC  
STATEMENTS SUPPLIED BY THE GOVERNMENT. WE BELIEVE  
THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION AT THIS MOMENT WOULD BE TO WAIT AND NOT TO  
INTERFERE WITH ANY TYPE OF UNDERSTANDING NOW IN PROGRESS, OR THAT  
COULD BE ATTEMPTED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

(LOPEZ) ON UNGO, REGARDING THE KIDNAPPING, I WOULD LIKE YOU  
TO MAKE AN ANALYSIS AND ALSO TO TELL US YOUR OPINION ON THE REASONS  
FOR THE INCIDENT.

(UNGO) AT THIS TIME WE ARE CONCERNED, AND WE ARE ALSO DISSENTING  
REGARDING WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ACTION AGAINST THE PRESIDENT'S  
DAUGHTER. I WORRIES US BECAUSE IT ACCENTUATES AND DEEPENS WHAT  
WE HAVE ALREADY SAID AT OTHER TIMES RELATIVE TO THE VIOLENCE WHICH IS  
BECOMING INCREASINGLY WORSE. WE WOULD LIKE TO PLACE THIS WITHIN  
THE CONTEXT OF THOUSANDS OF BUSINESS AND FARMERS WHO SUFFER THE  
ANNOYANCE AND PAIN OF THE DISAPPEARANCE OF RELATIVES, OR CHILDREN  
WHO HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED OR MURDERED. THIS IS NOT AN ISOLATED CASE;  
IT IS THE PRODUCT OF A WAR SITUATION. WE HAVE ALWAYS INSISTED, AND  
NOW MORE THAN BEFORE, THAT IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT WE SEEK A  
POLITICAL SOLUTION THROUGH DIALOGUE, A DIALOGUE THAT UNFORTUNATELY  
WAS INTERRUPTED BY THE GOVERNMENT, BY ENGINEER QUARTE HIMSELF. WE  
REGRET THIS SITUATION, HOPE THAT A SATISFACTORY RESULT IS ACHIEVED,  
AND IN ANY CASE ARE MAINTAINING AN ATTITUDE OF HESITATION, CAUTION,  
AND HOPE.

AS I RECENTLY SAID DURING PUBLIC STATEMENTS BY THE FOR, WE ARE  
AND CONTINUE TO BE IGNORANT, AND THAT IN THIS SITUATION WE CANNOT  
RISK ANY POSSIBLE ATTEMPT OF UNDERSTANDING TO ACHIEVE A  
SATISFACTORY SOLUTION FOR ENGINEER QUARTE'S DAUGHTER. WE ARE  
CONCERNED OVER CERTAIN IRRESPONSIBLE ACTIONS BY THE SALVADORAN  
GOVERNMENT IN THIS REGARD, BECAUSE EVERYTHING WE KNOW IS THROUGH  
THE MEDIA AND NOT THROUGH STATEMENTS FROM THOSE DIRECTLY INVOLVED,  
REGARDING WHETHER IT IS THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO FRONT, OR THE  
FREN, OR ANY OTHER ORGANIZATION THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO THE FREN,  
OR IF IT IS THE SALVADORAN RIGHTWING.

WE BELIEVE THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME TO PUBLICLY SPECULATE. IT  
IS THE TIME TO WAIT, TO ACT RESPONSIBLY, SEEKING A SATISFACTORY  
RESULT. THE GOVERNMENT PROBABLY HAS INFORMATION; WE DO NOT KNOW  
HOW MUCH. WE DO NOT KNOW IF THE GOVERNMENT IS SAYING THE TRUTH OR ALL  
THE TRUTH, AND IN THIS REGARD I BELIEVE THAT AS LONG AS WE DO NOT  
KNOW WHO IS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS ACTION WE CANNOT SPECULATE  
OR EXPRESS OPINIONS. WE MUST TRY NOT TO HINDER THE EFFORTS, AND,  
I REPEAT, HOPE FOR A SATISFACTORY RESULT.

(LOPEZ) DOCTOR, IT HAS BEEN REPORTED BY THE DIFFERENT MEDIA  
THAT THE GROUP THAT HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY IS CALLED THE PEDRO  
PABLO CASTILLO GROUP. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT THIS IS A NEW  
TURN OF EVENTS, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION  
ON THIS NEW MILITARY FRONT, WHICH -- AS IT HAS SAID -- BELONGS  
TO THE FREN, AND IF YOU HAVE ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE PETITIONS OF THE  
FRONT REGARDING COMPANIONS WHO HAVE BEEN CAPTURED.

(UNGO) NO. AS I KNOW IS WHAT IS IN THE INTERNATIONAL PRESS,  
WHERE THERE ARE CONTRADICTION STATEMENTS. THEY SAY THAT THIS FRONT  
IS A POLITICAL FRONT OF POLITICAL PRISONERS AND IS THEREFORE COULD  
NOT HAVE AN ACTIVE MILITARY FORCE BECAUSE THE PRISONERS ARE PRISONERS.  
THERE ARE SPECULATIONS THAT IT COULD BE AN AUTONOMOUS COMMAND, OR  
THAT IT BELONGS TO ONE OF THE FOR ORGANIZATIONS. I DON'T KNOW  
ALL OF THIS IS SPECULATION, AND I AM CONCERNED OVER HOW SUCH  
INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED, BECAUSE AT THIS TIME WE HAVE NO INFORMATION  
THAT ANY ORGANIZATION OR FRONT, OF WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT,  
HAS DIRECTLY ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS. I AM ALSO UNAWARE  
OF THE STATEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE. IF SUCH STATEMENTS HAVE  
BEEN MADE, I BELIEVE THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS AWARE OF THEM, BUT  
WANTS TO HANDLE THE SITUATION IN A DISCREET WAY. I BELIEVE  
THAT WE MUST NOT ACCEPT THE LIES THAT COULD BE UNDER NEGOTIATION  
NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. ALL IN ALL WE ARE REALLY IN THE DARK,  
AND WE DO NOT WANT TO PLAY THE BLIND CHICKEN (LA GALLINA CIEGA;  
THIS IS THE SPANISH NAME FOR A GAME SIMILAR TO BLIND MAN'S  
BLUFF -- FRIJOL). THIS IS THE POSITION OF THE FOR, AND IN THIS  
REGARD, WE ARE WAITING FURTHER INFORMATION IN ORDER TO HAVE A  
CLEAR PICTURE OF THE POSITION, AS WELL AS AN OPINION.  
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(TEXT) (UNDO) CONTINUES: IT IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE INTO  
CONSIDERATION THE FACT THAT THIS HAPPENED SEVERAL DAYS AGO,  
EVERYTHING LEADS US TO THINK -- ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN -- THAT  
THE DAUGHTER OF ENGINEER QUANTE IS ALIVE. WE ALSO LEARNED -- BUT  
DO NOT KNOW WHETHER IT IS TRUE -- THAT THERE WAS A CONTACT BETWEEN  
THE ENGINEER AND HIS DAUGHTER. THAT IS WHAT SOME NEWSPAPERS  
CLAIMED, BUT WE DO NOT KNOW THAT FOR CERTAIN. SHOULD THIS BE  
TRUE, THIS WOULD KEEP OUR HOPES ALIVE THAT THE SITUATION WILL HAVE  
A SATISFACTORY CONCLUSION.

(UNDO) YES, DOCTOR, REGARDING THE MEETING THAT WAS  
SCHEDULED BETWEEN THE FOR WITH DR NECTOR OMELI COLUMBOS  
AND JULIO ADOLFO REY PRENDES, THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND  
COMMUNICATIONS, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER YOU HAD  
ANY ADVANCE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THAT AND WHAT TOPICS WOULD HAVE BEEN  
DISCUSSED SHOULD THE MEETING HAVE MATERIALIZED?

(UNDO) I DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT IS IN THE MIND OF THE  
GOVERNMENT AND THE CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER. I DON'T  
WANT TO SPECULATE ON THAT. HOWEVER, WE SEE THIS AS A  
DANGEROUS POLITICAL, PROPAGANDA GAME WHICH WE ARE DEPRECATING.  
THIS, AT A TIME WHEN A PERSON'S LIFE IS AT RISK. THERE WERE  
LEADS -- NOT BY US -- THAT THERE WAS AN ATTEMPT TO SEEK CONTACT  
WITH THE REBELS, AND THUS IT WAS ALMOST SUGGESTED THAT WE ARE TO  
BLAME FOR THE ACTION.

REGARDING THIS, THE FOR REJECTS THIS KIND OF HANDOVER BECAUSE  
WE HAVE NOT AND COULD NOT HAVE PARTICIPATED IN IT. THE FOR  
DOES NOT WANT TO GIVE ANY ROOM TO POLITICAL SECTORS THAT SOMETIMES  
APPARENTLY FORGET THE MAIN OBJECTIVE AT THIS MOMENT, AND INSTEAD  
ARE SEARCHING FOR POLITICAL GAIN AND POSITIONS THAT ARE NOT IN  
LINE WITH THE TRUE SITUATION.

IT IS EVIDENT THAT THAT NEWS DID NOT COME FROM US. THAT NEWS  
TEASED OUT FROM SOMEWHERE ELSE AND WAS RAPIDLY MADE PUBLIC EVEN BY  
THE U.S. PRESS AND THE OFFICIAL U.S. RADIO STATION, THE VOICE  
OF AMERICA.

AS I SAID, THEY WERE KNOCKING ON THE WRONG DOOR. OUR DOOR  
IS NOT THE ONE LEADING TO THE CLARIFICATION OF A SITUATION THAT WE  
DO NOT KNOW ABOUT, AND IN WHICH WE ARE NOT INVOLVED. THEREFORE,  
AT THIS TIME, WE CANNOT HELP IN REACHING AN AGREEMENT, BECAUSE  
WE DO NOT REALLY KNOW WHAT THE GOVERNMENT KNOWS, AND IT IS  
NEGOTIATING WITH, OR WHETHER IT IS NEGOTIATING AT ALL. THEY ARE  
SIMPLY USING US TO CARRY OUT A POLITICAL, PROPAGANDISTIC GAME THAT  
IS VERY CHARACTERISTIC OF OBJECTIVES THAT LEAD TO THE

CREATION THAT (UNDO) (INDISTINCT) MINISTRY.

THEREFORE, THERE IS NOTHING SPECIFIC ON THIS. WE HEARD  
STATEMENTS BY REY PRENDES HIMSELF THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO MAKE  
ANY CONTACT AND COULD NOT LEARN ABOUT THE SITUATION WHEN THEY  
SUPPOSEDLY KNOW ABOUT IT, AND ARE USING IT FOR SEVERAL PURPOSES  
IN DIFFERENT WAYS.

THEREFORE, I BELIEVE THAT REY PRENDES' TRIP IS A FALSE TRIP.  
HE KNOCKED ON A WRONG DOOR. HE WAS SIMPLY LOOKING FOR POLITICAL  
OBJECTIVES TO TRY TO POINT THE RESPONSIBILITY OR SOME KIND OF  
INVOLVEMENT AT A TARGET THAT IS POSSIBLY RESPONSIBLE. IT IS  
INTERESTING THAT THEY TRIED TO BLAME US AND INVOLVE US IN SOMETHING  
THAT WE ARE NOT INVOLVED IN.

IN ADDITION, WE ARE DESPISED AND BELITTLED BECAUSE THEY  
CLAIM THAT WE DO NOT HAVE MUCH INFLUENCE.

THIS IS A DIRTY AND CUNNING GAME THAT WE REJECT. WE BELIEVE  
THAT WE ARE HELPING IN THIS WAY TO SOLVE THIS REGRETTABLE SITUATION  
IN A POSITIVE WAY, AND ARE OPPOSING THAT THE LIFE OF A PERSON BE  
USED TO MAKE POLITICAL GAINS.

(UNDO) REPORTS COMING FROM ABROAD, SPECIFICALLY IN THE  
NEW YORK TIMES, INDICATED THAT EFFORTS WERE ALREADY BEING  
MADE -- VIA AN INTERMEDIARY -- TO REACH AN AGREEMENT, A MEETING  
IN AN AREA CONTROLLED BY THE GUERRILLA. (AS HEARD) THE NEW  
YORK TIMES QUOTES SALVADORAN SOURCES ON THIS.

IN ADDITION, IT IS SAID THAT THIS GROUP, WHICH IS SUPPOSEDLY  
HOLDING THE DAUGHTER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC, ASKED A  
SUSPENSION OF ALL GOVERNMENT MILITARY OPERATIONS TO FACILITATE  
NEGOTIATIONS ON THE KIDNAPPING AND AT THE SAME TIME THE RELEASE  
OF 12 GUERRILLAS BEING HELD IN JAIL. DR. GUILLERMO MANUEL  
UNDO, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ABOUT THIS?

(UNDO) I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT THIS. REGARDING THIS, I  
EXIST THAT WE DO NOT WISH TO TAKE ACTION, MAKE DECISIONS, AND  
GIVE OPINIONS OR CREATE SPECULATIONS THAT WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE  
TO SOLVING THE PROBLEM. THIS DIFFICULT AND REGRETTABLE SITUATION.  
THEREFORE, IN THIS REGARD, WE HAVE HEARD MANY VERSIONS AND  
WE HAVE TO IMPOSE OURSELVES (UNDO) (INDISTINCT) RESPONSIBILITY  
IF NOT CONTRIBUTE TO CREATING REPORTS WHICH WE DO NOT KNOW WHETHER  
THEY WILL TURN OUT TO BE TRUE OR NOT.

ALL WE KNOW IS THE RESULT OF OUR INVESTIGATIONS. THIS IS  
VERY LIMITED, THERE IS LITTLE INFORMATION, AND MUCH SPECULATION.  
IT IS (UNDO) NOTTING A GOOD BLINDFOLDED.

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(TEXT) (UNCLAS) TO CONCLUDE, DR GUILLERMO MARCEL DUES,  
WE WOULD LIKE YOU TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION VERY SIMPLY. IT HAS  
BEEN SAID ON MANY OCCASIONS THAT YOU AND JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE  
WERE GOOD FRIENDS FOR MANY YEARS, AND THAT YOU HAD A CLOSE  
RELATIONSHIP. NOW, THAT YOU ARE ON OPPOSITE SIDES, WHAT HAS BEEN  
JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE'S REACTION CONCERNING THE KIDNAPPING OF  
HIS DAUGHTER? HAS HE TRIED TO CONTACT YOU DIRECTLY TO TALK  
ABOUT THE ISSUE?

(UNCLAS) NO, NOT DIRECTLY, BUT HE HAS TRIED THROUGH OTHER  
CHANNELS. I THINK IT IS NORMAL FOR HIM TO TRY TO GET SOME SORT  
OF SUPPORT OR COOPERATION TO SAVE HIS DAUGHTER'S LIFE. I HAVE  
GIVEN HIM A POSITIVE ANSWER IN THE SENSE THAT WE HOPE EVERYTHING  
WILL BE SOLVED SATISFACTORILY. IF WE COULD HELP IN ANY WAY, WE  
WOULD FIND A WAY OF DOING THIS. THERE IS NOTHING WE CAN DO AT THE  
MOMENT, WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON THIS SITUATION, BECAUSE IT IS NOT  
IN OUR HANDS TO FIND OUT. WE DO NOT KNOW HOW THIS IS BEING  
HANDLED, OR WHO IS BEING THE ISSUE. THAT WE ARE CONCERNED  
ABOUT THE MATTER, AND THAT EVERYTHING WILL BE SOLVED FAVORABLY,  
AND WE MUST HAVE A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH DUARTE,  
BUT NOT A POLITICAL RELATIONSHIP IN THE PAST, AND THE RIGHTISTS  
HAVE MALICIOUSLY MANIPULATED THIS, TRYING TO POINT OUT THAT WE  
CONTINUE ON THE SAME THING. I THINK WE SHOULD NOT MIX PERSONAL  
RELATIONSHIPS WITH POLITICS. I DO NOT THINK WE SHOULD MIX HUMAN  
CONSIDERATIONS WITH POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS.

(UNCLAS) THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANSWER. ROBERTO CASTANEDA ALSO  
WAS A QUESTION HE WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU ON BEHALF OF RADIO CADENA  
SONORA AND ITS LISTENERS.

(CASTANEDA) GOOD MORNING, DOCTOR. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK  
YOU JUST ONE QUESTION. I REALIZE YOU ARE A VERY BUSY MAN. THERE  
IS GREAT CONCERN HERE. WE WOULD LIKE TO ASK IF YOU ARE IN  
CONTACT WITH MR DUARTE AS HIS FRIEND, THAT IS, ON AN UNOFFICIAL  
BASIS, ON A PERSONAL BASIS.

(UNCLAS) NO, WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY PERSONAL DIRECT CONTACT WITH  
MR DUARTE. THE LAST TIME WE SAW EACH OTHER WAS ABOUT 3 YEARS  
AGO AT LA PALMA. WE HAVE NOT HAD ANY PERSONAL CONTACT, WHICH  
MEANS I HAVE NOT AVOIDED HIM. THERE HAVE BEEN SOME OPPORTUNITIES  
WHEN THIS COULD HAVE OCCURRED, DURING ANY OF HIS TRIPS OR MY TRIPS,  
HOWEVER, HE HAS AVOIDED ME.

(CASTANEDA) (QUESTION INDISTINCT)

(UNCLAS) I HAVE ALWAYS SAID THAT I NEVER MIX POLITICS WITH  
PERSONAL AFFAIRS.

(CASTANEDA) DOCTOR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THESE STATEMENTS  
FOR OUR PRESS DEPARTMENT.

(UNCLAS) YOU ARE WELCOME.

(CASTANEDA) THANK YOU, DOCTOR.

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AFPI SANTO DOMINGO MAYOR ASKED TO MEDIATE IN DUARTE KIDNAPPING

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PARIS AFP IN SPANISH 2200 GMT 1 OCT 85

(TEXT) SANTO DOMINGO, 1 OCT (AFP) -- JOSE FRANCISCO  
PENA GOMEZ, SANTO DOMINGO MAYOR AND SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL  
(ISI) VICE PRESIDENT, TODAY REPORTED THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A  
FORMAL REQUEST BY THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT TO MEDIATE IN THE  
CASE OF THE KIDNAPPING OF THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER  
INES DUARTE.

PENA GOMEZ CALLED THE PRESS TOGETHER TO RELEASE THE  
INFORMATION, BUT CONDITIONED HIS INTERVENTION IN THE CASE TO THE  
PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO COMMANDO'S -- THAT HAS CLAIMED  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KIDNAPPING -- ACCEPTANCE OF HIS MEDIATION.

HE ALSO REPORTED THAT HE TALKED BY TELEPHONE WITH GUILLERMO  
UNGO, PRESIDENT OF EL SALVADOR'S OPPOSITION FOR WHO IS ALSO  
AN SI VICE PRESIDENT.

UNGO TOLD PENA GOMEZ THAT NEITHER HE NOR THE FOR-OR ITS  
MILITARY ALLY, THE FARN, ARE INVOLVED IN THE KIDNAPPING. PENA  
GOMEZ ALSO REPORTED THAT MEDIATION IS DIFFICULT FOR THIS REASON.  
THE MAYOR SAID THAT THE MESSAGE CONTAINING THE FORMAL MEDIATION  
REQUEST BY THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT WAS DELIVERED TO HIM BY  
ALBERTO LOPEZ NUILA, SALVADORAN AMBASSADOR TO THE DOMINICAN  
REPUBLIC, 3 DAYS AGO.

ON 17 SEPTEMBER, 1 WEEK AFTER THE ABDUCTION OF INES DUARTE,  
PENA GOMEZ ANNOUNCED HIS WILLINGNESS TO MEDIATE IN THE CASE FOR  
HUMANITARIAN REASONS AND ALSO BECAUSE THE SI DOES NOT CONDONE  
KIDNAPPING AS A PROPER METHOD FOR POLITICAL STRUGGLE.

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EL SALVADOR: VENCEREMOS, ARENA ON QUARTE KIDNAPPING

PARAGRAPHS

SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA 750 IN SPANISH 0310 GMT 22 OCT 83

[TEXT] SAN SALVADOR -- ACCORDING TO OBSERVERS, THE  
SALVADORAN PRESIDENT IS BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND THE DEEP BLUE SEA,  
GIVEN THE PRESSURES EXERTED BY THE GUERRILLAS AND THE  
ULTRACONSERVATIVE SECTORS, WHO BLAME HIM FOR PLACING PERSONAL  
INTERESTS ABOVE THOSE OF THE COUNTRY FOLLOWING HIS DAUGHTER'S  
KIDNAPPING. RADIO VENCEREMOS, OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN FOR THE FMLN,  
ASSERTED TODAY THAT THE CAPTURE OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE, DAUGHTER  
OF PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON QUARTE, AND THE RECENT REBEL ATTACK  
ON AN ARMY TRAINING CENTER ARE EVENTS WHICH COULD HASTEN THE  
SALVADORAN PRESIDENT'S DOWNFALL.

ACCORDING TO THE REBELS, INES GUADALUPE'S KIDNAPPING LAST 10  
SEPTEMBER WAS FORCED QUARTE TO DISREGARD THE INTERESTS OF THE  
GOVERNMENT AND THE NATION DUE TO HIS PERSONAL CONCERN, AND THE TOP  
MILITARY ECHELONS ARE LOSING THEIR PATIENCE CONSIDERING HIS WEAKNESS  
AS A LEADER. THE REBEL STATION SAID THAT THE PRESIDENT HAS SENT  
SOME OF HIS RELATIVES TO THE UNITED STATES DUE TO TERROR AND  
INSECURITY, AND BECAUSE HE HAS LOST HIS CONFIDENCE IN THE  
GOVERNMENT'S SECURITY ORGANIZATIONS. THE CASE OF 25-YEAR-OLD INES  
GUADALUPE QUARTE WILL CAUSE QUARTE'S IMMINENT DOWNFALL; ACCORDING  
TO RADIO VENCEREMOS, HE WOULD BE REPLACED BY FIRST PRESIDENTIAL  
DESIGNATE ABRAHAM RODRIGUEZ.

THE REBELS ASSERT THAT THE MAIN SUBJECTS OF Gossip AT THE  
CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY, IN GOVERNMENT FOR APPROXIMATELY 3  
YEARS, ARE THE CRISIS AND DIVISION. THE REPORT CONTINUES: THE  
CAPTURE OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE, A CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC  
OFFICIAL WHO IS LINKED WITH THE REGIME'S PSYCHOLOGICAL WAR APPARATUS  
HAS HIGHLIGHTED THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS' LACK OF INTERESTS FOR THE  
MAYORS WHO HAVE BEEN CAPTURED AND FORGOTTEN, SAID THE FMLN -- WHICH  
HAS YET TO CLEARLY CLAIM RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KIDNAPPING.

THE REBELS HAVE BEEN HOLDING 23 CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC MAYORS FOR  
MONTHS. THESE MAYORS WERE KIDNAPPED IN THE COUNTRY'S NORTHERN  
AND EASTERN SECTORS AND THEY ARE DEMANDING AN EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS  
FOR THEM FOLLOWING THE KIDNAPPING OF QUARTE'S DAUGHTER. RADIO  
VENCEREMOS SAID THAT THE CASE OF QUARTE'S DAUGHTER HAS ALSO  
UNDERSCORED THE CORRUPTION IN THE SALVADORAN JUDICIAL SYSTEM,  
BECAUSE ONLY 1 OUT OF THE 22 POLITICAL PRISONERS WHOM QUARTE IS  
WILLING TO EXCHANGE FOR HIS DAUGHTER HAD BEEN ARRANGED IN A

COURT OF JUSTICE.

THE ULTRACONSERVATIVE NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE,  
ARENA, HAS ASSERTED THAT IT DEPLORES QUARTE'S SORROW AS A FATHER  
BUT HE IS NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY THE HORRORS OF  
COMMUNISM IN THE COUNTRY. ARENA POINTED OUT IN A PRESS COMMUNIQUE  
THAT THE HOMELAND COMES FIRST, THEN PERSONAL INTERESTS. IT ALSO  
ASKED IF THE PEOPLE ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO SHOULD BE MAKING  
SACRIFICES, BECAUSE THE CONSTITUTION IS TRAMPLED WHEN THE ARROGANT  
ONES WHO ARE IN POWER MUST FACE DIFFICULT SITUATIONS. THE  
ULTRACONSERVATIVE OPPOSITION PARTY ASKS ALSO HOW ONE IS GOING TO  
EXPLAIN TO THE SOLDIERS WHO CAPTURED THE REBELS THAT ALL HIS EFFORTS  
WERE IN VAIN. IT INSISTED: LET US SAVE THE HOMELAND, NO  
MATTER WHAT KIND OF SACRIFICES MUST BE MADE.  
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SALVADOR: VENCEREMOS, ARENA ON DUARTE KIDNAPPING

EL SALVADOR: VENCEREMOS ON RIFT IN GOVERNMENT OVER KIDNAPPING

PA220404

(CLANDESTINE) RADIO VENCEREMOS IN SPANISH TO EL SALVADOR 0000  
GMT 22 OCT 85

(TEXT) IN THE PAST FEW HOURS, THE CRISIS HAS DESPENDED IN  
THE GOVERNMENT AND AMONG THE OLIGARCHIC AND PRO-IMPERIALIST GROUPS  
OF POWER CONCERNING THE CASE OF THE CAPTURE OF INES GUADALUPE  
DUARTE.

THE NATIONALIST REPUBLICAN ALLIANCE (ARENA), WHICH  
GROUPS THE NATION'S BUSINESSMEN, IN A RECENT PAID AD PUBLISHED A  
COMMUNIQUE WARNING NAPOLEON DUARTE NOT TO NEGOTIATE AND  
EXHORTING THE ARMED FORCES NOT TO SUPPORT DUARTE'S DECISIONS.

AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE ARENA COMMUNIQUE ASKS IF THE SACRIFICE  
IS ONLY FOR OUR PEOPLE WHEN THOSE IN POWER MUST FACE DIFFICULT  
SITUATIONS. WE REALIZE THE GRIEF A PARENT MUST EXPERIENCE  
WHEN ONE OF HIS CHILDREN IS KIDNAPPED. BUT WE ALSO ASK IF THE  
COUNTRY, AT THIS MOMENT, IS NOT ALSO SUFFERING.

THE ARENA PAID AD CONTINUES BY SAYING: WHAT ELSE ARE WE GOING  
TO HAND OVER SHOULD OTHER SIMILAR CASES COME UP? WILL WE HAVE TO  
CREATE A COLONY OF SALVADORANS OUTSIDE OUR COUNTRY AND SPEND  
THE FEW DOLLARS LEFT? WHY WAS THE SITUATION OF THE MAYORS  
RELEGATED TO A SECOND LEVEL?

THE ARENA COMMUNIQUE WARNING NAPOLEON DUARTE CONCLUDED BY  
ASKING: WHY WAS THE SITUATION OF THE MAYORS IN THE HANDS OF THE  
FMLN RELEGATED TO A SECOND LEVEL? (REPEATED QUESTION AS HEARD)  
LET US SAVE THE FATHERLAND, REGARDLESS OF THE SACRIFICE WE MUST  
ENDURE.

SUCH WAS THE PAID AD OF ARENA WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE  
CRISIS UNLEASHED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT, BUSINESS GROUPS, THE  
ARMED FORCES, AND THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY, CONCERNING  
THE CASE OF THE CAPTURE OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE.

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EL SALVADOR: UNGO DENIES RESPONSIBILITY IN DUNATE KIDNAPPING

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PANAMA CITY PANAVISION IN SPANISH 0000 GHT 10 SEP 85

(TEXT) WE WILL NOW REFER TO A CASE WHICH HAS SHAKEN CENTRAL  
AMERICA ALL WEEK LONG. WHILE REPORTS FROM EL SALVADOR REVEAL  
THAT THE EFFORTS EXERCISED IN MEXICO TO LIBERATE THE SALVADORAN  
PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER HAVE PROVED FRUITLESS, GUILLERMO UNGO,  
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FOR, HAS INTERVIEWED BY SAN THIS AFTERNOON  
IN PANAMA CITY. HE ASSERTED THAT NOT ONLY THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT  
IN HIS COUNTRY IS A VICTIM OF VIOLENCE. FOLLOWING ARE THE DETAILS  
IN OUR REPORT ON CENTRAL AMERICA.

(BEGIN RECORDING) (IDENTIFIED ANNOUNCER) UPON HIS RETURN  
FROM MEXICO, WHERE HE TRIED TO NEGOTIATE FREEDOM FOR PRESIDENT  
JOSE MANUEL DUNATE'S DAUGHTER WITH REVOLUTIONARY LEADERS IN  
EXILE, COMMUNICATIONS AND CULTURE MINISTER ADOLFO REY  
FRENDES SAID THE FOLLOWING IN SAN SALVADOR:

(REY PREMISES) NOTHING FROM THE NEWSPAPERS, CABLE NEWS  
AGENCIES, OR ANYTHING. THEREFORE, THERE IS NO INFORMATION FROM  
MEXICO IN THIS CONCERN, AND I WAS UNABLE TO MEET WITH THEM. THEY  
ALSO REVEALED THAT HE DID NOT MEET. I REPEAT. HE HAD NOT MET.  
I DID TRY, I DID EVERYTHING POSSIBLE, BUT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO  
MEET. THEREFORE, THAT IS THE (CHANGES THOUGHT -- FRIS) I  
THINK THE PROBLEM STEMS FROM THE FACT THAT THE NEWS ABOUT MY TRIP TO  
MEXICO WAS REVEALED. THEY DECIDED NOT TO MEET WITH ME, NOT TO  
TALK WITH ME.

(ANNOUNCER) REAMPHLE, BACK IN PANAMA CITY, FOR  
REPRESENTATIVE OF GUILLERMO UNGO GAVE AN EXCLUSIVE STATEMENT  
TO SHH IN THIS CONCERN.

(UNGO) WE HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO INFORMATION ABOUT THE PERSON  
OR PERSONS WHO HAVE ASSUMED THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS KIDNAPPING.  
CONSEQUENTLY, WE ARE SIMPLY WAITING AND FOLLOWING THE EVENTS WITH  
CONCERN. THIS IS A VIOLENT SITUATION AND WE BELIEVE THAT ONLY  
A PEACEFUL DIALOGUE AND NEGOTIATION WILL LEAD TO A PEACEFUL SOLUTION.  
WE VIEW THIS DEPLORABLE EVENT WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF MORE THAN  
60,000 DEATHS, WHICH INVOLVES THOUSANDS OF MISSING PEOPLE AND  
MURDERS; THE ANGUISH AND SORROW OF MANY MOTHERS, FATHERS, AND  
RELATIVES -- NOT ONLY THE DUNATE FAMILY. MOST OF THESE CRIMES WERE

PERPETRATED PRECISELY BY STATE TERRORISM, BY ENGINEER DUARTE'S  
GOVERNMENT. IN THIS CONCERN, WE STATE THAT MINISTER REY FRENDES  
TRIP TO MEXICO WAS AN IRRESPONSIBLE POLITICAL GAME, TRYING TO  
ESTABLISH A CONTACT WITH US OR MEMBERS OF THE FMLN MILITARY FRONT,  
WHICH NO RESPONSIBILITY HAS BEEN CLAIMED FOR THIS ACT. ALSO, WE  
GAVE NO INFORMATION IF AN UNDERSTANDING HAD BEEN REACHED, OR IF A  
NEGOTIATION HAD BEEN STARTED CONCERNING THE CASE OF ENGINEER  
DUNATE'S DAUGHTER.

(ANNOUNCER) IN REGARD TO AN ALLEGED GUERRILLA GROUP WHICH HAS  
REPORTEDLY CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KIDNAPPING, UNGO SAID:  
(UNGO) THERE ARE REPORTS ABOUT A SO-CALLED PEDRO PABLO  
CASTILLO COMMANDO; I HAVE NO INFORMATION ABOUT THE EXISTENCE OF  
THIS COMMANDO. IT SEEMS MORE LIKE A POLITICAL FRONT FOR THE  
POLITICAL PRISONERS, WHO CANNOT ACT BECAUSE THEY ARE IN PRISON.  
THE FRONT HAS NOT ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACTION. THE ZONA  
ROSA CASE IS DIFFERENT, BECAUSE A COMMANDO OF THE MARQUESES CRUZ  
COMMANDO GROUP OF THE FRTC (REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF CENTRAL  
AMERICAN WORKERS), WHICH IS MEMBER OF THE FMLN, PUBLICLY  
CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACTION. (END RECORDING)  
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EL SALVADOR: 'MORE CLEAR' KIDNAPPING SITUATION IN 24 HOURS

PA152019

SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA YSU NETWORK IN SPANISH  
1901 GMT 15 OCT 85

(REPORT BY YSU CORRESPONDENT CARLOS MARIO MARQUEZ)

(EXCERPTS) THANK YOU, YSU LISTENERS: IN NEXT 24 HOURS  
THE SITUATION REGARDING THE KIDNAPPING OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE  
DURAN WILL BECOME MORE CLEAR, AS WELL INFORMED SOURCES REVEALED  
TODAY. IN RECENT HOURS, THE SALVADORAN CATHOLIC CHURCH BEGAN  
ACTIONS INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY TO TRY TO RESOLVE THIS  
KIDNAPPING THAT HAS GONE ON FOR OVER 34 DAYS, SINCE 10 SEPTEMBER.

IT WAS LEARNED THAT SAN SALVADOR'S ARCHBISHOP MSGR ARTURO  
RIVERA Y DAMAS LEFT THIS WEEKEND FOR NORTHERN CHALATENANGO  
DEPARTMENT, WHERE HE MET WITH GUERRILLA COMMANDER LEONEL GONZALEZ  
TO TELL HIM ABOUT THE SITUATION THE PRESIDENT'S FAMILY IS UNDERGOING,  
AND ABOUT THE KIDNAPPED MAYORS WHO NOW HAVE NOT HAD ANY CONTACT  
WITH THEIR RELATIVES.

IT WAS ALSO LEARNED TODAY AT NOON THAT SEVERAL FOREIGN  
OFFICIALS, SUCH AS SOCIAL DEMOCRATS, HAVE BEEN TRYING TO OBTAIN  
THE RELEASE OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE, AND HAVE TRAVELLED TO  
NICARAGUA AND EL SALVADOR. INITIALLY, THEY HAD GOTTEN TO  
HAVANA.

OTHER NEWS GATHERED AT NOON BY YSU'S NEWS DEPARTMENT INDICATES  
THAT TOMORROW FOREIGN MINISTER RODOLFO CASTILLO CLAR MOUNT  
AND CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JULIO ADOLFO REY  
PRENDES WILL TRAVEL TO GUATEMALA. THERE THEY WILL MEET WITH  
VINICIO CEREZO, TOP CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADER IN  
GUATEMALA. (PASSAGE OMITTED)

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EL SALVADOR: BISHOP PREDICTS WAVE OF REPRISALS

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PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2341 GMT 4 OCT 85

(TEXT) PANAMA CITY, 4 OCT (ACAN-EFE) -- A SALVADORAN BISHOP ASSERTED TODAY THAT A "WAVE" OF REPRISALS MIGHT BE UNLEASHED IN HIS COUNTRY IF THE TACIT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES "OF NOT TOUCHING THE RELATIVES OF THE PERSONS DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE STRUGGLE" IS NOT RESPECTED.

SAN SALVADOR AUXILIARY BISHOP MSGR GREGORIO ROSAS CHAVEZ WAS REFERRING TO THE KIDNAPPING OF PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE'S DAUGHTER, PRESUMABLY PERPETRATED BY A GUERRILLA GROUP.

ROSAS CHAVEZ PARTICIPATED IN A MEETING OF THE CENTRAL AMERICAN EPISCOPAL SECRETARIAT, WHICH BEGAN LAST WEDNESDAY AND CONCLUDED TODAY IN THIS CAPITAL, AND INCLUDED THE PARTICIPATION OF BISHOPS FROM THE REGION.

THIRTY-FIVE-YEAR-OLD INES GUADALUPE DUARTE WAS KIDNAPPED LAST 10 SEPTEMBER ALONG WITH A CLASSMATE, AND HER KIDNAPPERS HAVE OFFERED TO EXCHANGE HER FOR 34 GUERRILLA MEMBERS WHO ARE IN PRISON, ACCORDING TO UNOFFICIAL SOURCES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN REFUTED BY THE GOVERNMENT.

EVEN THOUGH NO REBEL GROUP HAS PUBLICLY CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE KIDNAPPING, "IT IS AN OPEN SECRET" THAT THE AUTHORS ARE MEMBERS OF A GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION, AS STATED BY BISHOP ROSAS CHAVEZ TO ACAN-EFE.

"IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE GUERRILLA GROUPS DID IT," THE SALVADORAN BISHOP ASSERTED.

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE, THE BISHOPS STUDIED VARIOUS RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL MATTERS DURING THE MEETING, AND "ANALYZED THE SITUATION IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES CONCERNING RELIGIOUS MATTERS AND OTHER AREAS AT NATIONAL LEVEL."

IN ADDITION TO ROSAS CHAVEZ, THE MEETING WAS ALSO ATTENDED BY THE ARCHBISHOPS OF SAN SALVADOR, GUATEMALA CITY, SAN JOSE, AND PANAMA CITY, ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS, PROSPERO PENADOS, ROMAN ARRIETA, AND MARCOS MCGRATH, RESPECTIVELY.

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EL SALVADOR: ANN CITED ON POSSIBILITY OF DUARTE-REBEL TALKS

PA201801

MANAGUA RADIO NOTICIAS IN SPANISH 1200 GMT 20 SEP 85

(EXCERPT) AT THIS TIME WE ARE RECEIVING A REPORT FROM  
SAN SALVADOR ISSUED BY THE AGENCIA NUEVA NICARAGUA NEWS  
AGENCY.

EL SALVADOR, POSSIBLE NEGOTIATION BETWEEN PRESIDENT  
DUARTE AND HIS DAUGHTER'S KIDNAPPERS.

SALVADORAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE USED THE MEDIA  
LAST NIGHT TO ASK THAT PUBLIC MESSAGES CONDEMNING THE KIDNAPPING  
OF HIS DAUGHTER INES GUADALUPE IS DAYS AGO STOP. THE REQUEST  
WAS INTERPRETED HERE AS INDICATING THE POSSIBILITY THAT  
NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND HIS DAUGHTER'S CAPTORS,  
MEMBERS OF THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO FRONT, HAVE BEGUN.  
EARLIER, THE FRONT ISSUED ITS FIRST PUBLIC MESSAGE, CLAIMING  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ACTION.

IN AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH A U. S. NEWS AGENCY  
CORRESPONDENT, THE REBELS SAID THAT ONE (AS HEARD) OF THE  
CONDITIONS TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE RELEASE OF INES GUADALUPE  
DUARTE IS THAT THE ARMY SUSPEND ITS ACTIONS, AIR AND GROUND  
ACTIVITIES NATIONWIDE, THAT ARBITRARY ARRESTS CEASE, AND THAT  
HUMAN RIGHTS BE RESPECTED.

PRESIDENT DUARTE'S REQUEST CONSTITUTES A 180-DEGREE SHIFT IN  
THE POLITICAL HANDLING THE GOVERNMENT INITIALLY MADE BY  
LAUNCHING MASSIVE MEDIA COVERAGE OF THE CASE.

HOWEVER, SEVERAL PRESS ANALYSTS HERE HAVE SPECULATED THAT  
DUARTE MAY BE ENCOUNTERING DISAGREEMENTS WITH THE ARMY HIGH  
COMMAND IN CONNECTION WITH THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO FRONT'S  
DEMAND THAT POLITICAL PRISONERS BE FREED. IT APPEARS THAT THE  
ORGANIZATION, ON WHICH NO MAJOR INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE, IS  
PRINCIPALLY STAFFED BY FORMER POLITICAL PRISONERS.

MEANWHILE, THE INTENSITY OF POLICE AND MILITARY SEARCH  
OPERATIONS, HOUSE RAIDS, AND ARRESTS HAS DECREASED OVER THE PAST  
SEVERAL HOURS, CONFIRMING THAT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE REBELS  
AND GOVERNMENT MAY HAVE BEGUN. (PASSAGE ON BACKGROUND OF INES  
GUADALUPE DUARTE OMITTED)

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SALVADOR: RIVERA Y DAMAS MEETS GUERRILLAS 12 OCT

EL SALVADOR: FMLN REPORTEDLY ADMITS RESPONSIBILITY IN KIDNAPPING

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PANAMA CITY ACAN IN SPANISH 2237 GMT 15 OCT 85

(EXCERPTS) SAN SALVADOR, 15 OCT (ACAN-EFE) -- SALVADORAN  
ARCHBISHOP ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS MET WITH LEADERS OF THE  
SALVADORAN GUERRILLAS TO MEDIATE IN THE KIDNAPPING OF THE DAUGHTER  
OF SALVADORAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE. IT WAS LEARNED  
TODAY.

GREGORIO ROSAS CHAVEZ, AUXILIARY BISHOP OF THIS CAPITAL,  
REPORTED TODAY THAT LAST SUNDAY RIVERA Y DAMAS TRAVELLED TO  
CHALATENANGO IN THE NORTHERN REGION OF EL SALVADOR TO TALK TO  
GUERRILLA LEADERS ABOUT THE KIDNAPPING OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE  
WHO HAS BEEN MISSING FOR MORE THAN 1 MONTH.

THE PRELATE SAID THAT THE FMLN ADMITTED TO THE CHURCH THAT IT  
WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR KIDNAPPING DUARTE'S DAUGHTER.

HOWEVER, OFFICIAL SOURCES TOLD THE PRESS TODAY THAT THE  
NEGOTIATIONS TO OBTAIN THE RELEASE OF THE SALVADORAN PRESIDENT'S  
DAUGHTER CONTINUE TO BE PARALYZED. SALVADORAN CULTURE AND  
COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JULIO ADOLFO REY PRENDES STATED THAT  
"THINGS ARE EXACTLY THE SAME AS THEY WERE LAST WEEK" AND THAT THE  
GOVERNMENT DOES NOT KNOW CLEARLY WHAT THE KIDNAPPERS WANT.  
(PASSAGE OMITTED)

ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL SOURCE ARCHBISHOP RIVERA Y DAMAS  
MAY HAVE MET WITH LEONEL GONZALEZ, FIRST IN COMMAND OF THE  
PEOPLE'S LIBERATION FORCES WPLI, WHO IS ALSO MEMBER OF THE  
FMLN GENERAL COMMAND, BUT HE DID NOT REVEAL THE RESULTS OF THE  
MEETING.

FOR THEIR PART, THE GUERRILLAS HAVE NOT CLAIMED CREDIT PUBLICLY  
FOR KIDNAPPING THE DAUGHTER OF PRESIDENT DUARTE. (PASSAGE  
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DUARTE READY TO TRADE 22 GUERRILLAS FOR DAUGHTER

EL SALVADOR: NEGOTIATIONS ON DUARTE KIDNAPPING 'STALEMATED'

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SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADENA YSU IN SPANISH 2320 GMT 5 OCT 85

(TEXT) CULTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JULIO ADOLFO REY PRENDES HAS REPORTED THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE KIDNAPPING OF MR DUARTE'S DAUGHTER ARE STALEMATED. (HE ADDED) THAT THE GOVERNMENT IS KEEPING SILENT IN THIS REGARD SO REPORTS WILL NOT HINDER THE INVESTIGATION. THEREFORE, WE (WORDS INDISTINCT) THE REASON FOR THE STAGNATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. HE SAID THAT FOR ITS PART, THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT REPORTED THAT THE KIDNAPPERS ARE DEMANDING POLITICAL PRISONERS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE RELEASE OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE DURAN.

THE LATEST CONTACT WITH THE KIDNAPPERS WAS FRIDAY AND THERE HAVE BEEN NO FURTHER CONTACTS SINCE THAT TIME. REGARDING THE IDENTITY OF THE CAPTORS, REY PRENDES SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT SAID THAT GUERRILLAS ARE HOLDING HER. IN THIS REGARD HE SAID:

(BEGIN RECORDING) WE HAVE ONLY REFERRED TO THE PERSONS WHO HAVE SAID WHO IS HOLDING HER CAPTIVE. (SENTENCE AS HEARD) WE HAVE REFERRED TO QUESTIONS FROM NEWSMEN AND TO STATEMENTS BY THE ARCHBISHOP OF SAN SALVADOR, WHO SAID THAT THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT SHE IS BEING HELD BY THE GUERRILLAS OF THE FMLN. (END RECORDING)

IN ADDITION, HE NOTED THAT JULIO ROMERO TALAVERA (WAS SET FREE) AT THE REQUEST OF THE COSTA RICAN GOVERNMENT, BUT THAT (THIS) WILL BE LEFT IN THE HANDS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. (ENDALL) 052320 [REDACTED] 050037Z OCT

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EL SALVADOR: GOVERNMENT EXPECTS NEW CONTACT WITH KIDNAPPERS

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SAN SALVADOR EL MUNDO IN SPANISH 2 OCT 85 P 3

(TEXT) THE GOVERNMENT EXPECTS NEW CONTACT WITH THE KIDNAPPERS OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE AFTER GRANTING ABSOLUTE AMNESTY TO THE COSTA RICAN PILOT, JULIO SANTIAGO ROMERO TALAVERA, WHO HAD BEEN SENTENCED TO 25 YEARS IN PRISON BY A COURT MARTIAL ON CHARGES OF TERRORISM.

THE OFFICIAL SOURCES ARE OBSERVING ABSOLUTE SILENCE REGARDING THIS CASE, MENTIONING THE REASONS FOR THE AMNESTY AS THE REPEATED EFFORTS BY COSTA RICAN PRESIDENT LUIS ALBERTO MONGE AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS ON BEHALF OF TALAVERA. OTHER SOURCES, HOWEVER, REVEALED THAT TALAVERA IS ONE OF THE PEOPLE BOUGHT BY THE KIDNAPPERS. MEMBERS OF THE "PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO" FRONT

THE GOVERNMENT DENIES ANY NEGOTIATIONS, BUT ADMITS THERE ARE CONTACTS. THE COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER, JULIO ADOLFO REY PRENDES, TOLD REPORTERS THAT ACCORDING TO A NEWS AGENCY, THE LATEST CONTACT WAS MADE ON 20 SEPTEMBER.

OTHER CIRCLES REVEALED THAT THE KIDNAPPERS ARE DEMANDING THE RELEASE OF 33 PRISONERS, BUT THAT THE GOVERNMENT HAS NOT ENTERED INTO ANY NEGOTIATION BECAUSE, NOT HAVING THE LIST OF THE PEOPLE WANTED BY THE KIDNAPPERS, IT HAS BEEN UNABLE TO DETERMINE WHO ARE ACTUALLY SUBJECT TO MILITARY COURTS OR WHAT THEIR SITUATION IS.

COMMENTING ON THE KIDNAPPERS, REY PRENDES SAID THEY DO NOT BELONG TO THE EXTREME RIGHT OR ANY DISSIDENT GROUP OF THE FMLN, SUCH AS THE "CLARA ELIZABETH RAMIREZ FRONT."

REY PRENDES SHOWED THE REPORTERS A LEAFLET FOUND PASTED ON THE WALLS OF SOME BUILDINGS OF CHALATENANGO TOWNS SUCH AS COMALAPA AND LA LAGUNA, REFERRING TO THE PEDRO PABLO CASTILLO FRONT, WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BELONG TO THE FMLN, WHICH HAS BEEN DENIED.

MEANWHILE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY'S PARDON COMMITTEE, DEPUTY RICARDO EDUARDO EURGOS, SAID THE COMMITTEE IS STUDYING AN AMNESTY PROJECT SUBMITTED BY THE COMMITTEE OF MOTHERS OF PRISONERS AND MISSING POLITICAL ACTIVISTS.

THE KIDNAPPING OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE DURAN AND HER FRIEND ANA CECILIA VILLEDAS, WILL OF A MONTH OLD ON 10 OCTOBER AS THE ABDUCTION TOOK PLACE ON 10 SEPTEMBER.

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RIVERA Y DANAS SAYS TALKS WITH REBELS "FRUITFUL"

EL SALVADOR: AGREEMENT "VIRTUALLY REACHED" ON QUARTE KIDNAPPING

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SAN SALVADOR CHANNEL 2 TELEVISION IN SPANISH BAZE OUT  
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(TEXT) WITH THE MEDIATION OF THE SALVADOREAN CHURCH AN  
AGREEMENT WAS VIRTUALLY BEEN REACHED WITH THE GUERRILLAS FOR THE  
RELEASE OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE AND HER FRIEND ANA CECILIA  
VILLEGAS. ALL THAT IS LEFT TO AGREE ON IS THE DATE, TIME,  
AND PLACE FOR THE RELEASE.

(BEGIN RECORDING) (UNIDENTIFIED REPORTER) MONSIGNOR, WE  
WOULD LIKE TO KNOW THE MOST RECENT AGREEMENTS MADE FOR THE RELEASE  
OF INES GUADALUPE QUARTE OMAR.

(UNIDENTIFIED MONSIGNOR) AT 8000 YESTERDAY, THE ARCHBISHOP  
(MONS. ARTURO RIVERA Y DANAS -- FBIS) TRAVELED TO AN AREA  
NEAR GUADALUPE HILL WHERE HE MET WITH FNL LEADERS. HE RETURNED  
TO SAN SALVADOR AT 2100. THE RESULT OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT  
TO THE AREA AT 1200 (CLOSING)

AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FNL LEADERS WAS REACHED FOR THE RELEASE,  
SHORTLY, OF PRESIDENT QUARTE'S DAUGHTER AND HER FRIEND ANA  
CECILIA. ADVANCES WERE ALSO MADE IN THE PROCESS THAT WILL LEAD  
TO THE RELEASE OF THE MAYORS WHO WERE KIDNAPPED. THE HAPPY  
ENDING TO THE KIDNAPPING OF THE TWO WOMEN IS EXPECTED IN THE NEXT  
FEW DAYS. EVERYONE IS NERVOUS OF THE KIDNAPPING AND THIS INCIDENT  
HAS BEEN FOLLOWED BY EVERYONE WITH INTEREST AND CONCERN. WE HOPE  
TO SEE SOME SIGN OF A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM OF THE MAYORS SOON.

THE ARCHBISHOP RETURNED FLEETLY WITH THE RESULTS OF THE  
MEETING. THIS WAS HIS SECOND MEETING WITH THEM. THE FIRST  
MEETING WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY IN A PRIVATE HOME WHERE HE MET WITH  
FNL PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY. (CLOSING) AT THAT  
MEETING, THEY DECIDED TO MEET AGAIN. THE MEETING WAS HELD  
YESTERDAY AT THE PLACE I ALREADY MENTIONED.

FOR THE TIME BEING, WE ARE WORKING ON THE OPERATIONAL SIDE OF  
THE OUTCOME OF THIS KIDNAPPING. IF IT IS POSSIBLE DIFFICULT,  
AND UNCONSIDERED, WE EXPECT EVERYONE TO HAVE A HAPPY ENDING SHORTLY.

(REPORTER) MONSIGNOR, HAS A MEETING BETWEEN MONSIGNOR  
RIVERA Y DANAS AND THE GUERRILLAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FEW  
DAYS, OR NEXT WEEK, TO HAVE THE FINAL TOUCHES TO THIS SITUATION?

(MONSIGNOR) THERE ARE INDICATIONS THAT THE CHURCH WILL BE  
REPRESENTED WHEN THIS SITUATION COMES TO AN END. THE CHURCH  
HAS SAID THAT IT IS READY TO HELP AT THAT MOMENT. THIS WILL

DEPEND ON HOW THE DELIVERY OF THE TWO KIDNAPPED WOMEN TO THEIR  
RESPECTIVE FAMILIES WILL BE MADE. WE DO NOT KNOW HOW WE WILL  
HELP, BUT IT SEEMS THAT WE WILL BE ASKED TO HELP AND WE WILL DO  
SO GLADLY.

(REPORTER) MONSIGNOR, WHAT REQUESTS HAVE THE GOVERNMENT AND  
THE GUERRILLAS MADE?

(MONSIGNOR) WHAT THEY ARE ASKING FOR IS PUBLIC. COMMUNIQUE  
APPEARED IN THE NEWSPAPERS WITH THE REQUESTS. WHAT I DO KNOW  
IS THAT THE MOST DIFFICULT ASPECTS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN  
OVERCOME. HOWEVER, THE PARTIES INVOLVED MUST BE THE ONES TO  
REPORT ON THIS. WE HAVE NOT BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DISCLOSE THAT  
INFORMATION. (END RECORDING)

THE NEGOTIATIONS UNDERWAY INCLUDE A SEARCH FOR AN AGREEMENT  
FOR THE RELEASE OF THE KIDNAPPED MAYORS; HOWEVER, NO DEFINITE  
ARRANGEMENT HAS BEEN MADE. OCA (CENTRAL AMERICAN  
UNIVERSITY) RECTOR SIGAIDO YACURIAI WAS PRESENT AT THE MEETING  
BETWEEN MONSIGNOR RIVERA Y DANAS AND THE GUERRILLAS.  
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SALVADOR: QUANTE DAUGHTER 'RAY' BE RELEASED ON SUNDAY

EL SALVADOR: QUANTE SAYS 'NOTHING CONCRETE' ON KIDNAPPING

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SAN SALVADOR RADIO CADERA SOMORA IN SPANISH 1700 SMT 17  
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(REPORT BY ALBERTO BARRERA)

(TEXT) PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON QUANTE TOLD JOURNALISTS  
TODAY THAT HE HAD NOTHING CONCRETE WITH REGARD TO THE FULFILLMENT  
OF THE DEMANDS OF THE KIDNAPPERS OF HIS DAUGHTER, IRES GUADALUPE  
QUANTE DURAN. THE PRESIDENT WAS QUESTIONED BY JOURNALISTS IN  
SAN BARTOLOME PERULAPINA WHERE HE ARRIVED THIS MORNING ACCOMPANIED  
BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, INCLUDING THE EDUCATION MINISTER, TO  
INAUGURATE A SCHOOL THAT WAS DAMAGED SOME TIME AGO IN CLASHES WITH  
THE GUERRILLAS. IT WAS ALSO REPORTED THAT U.S. AMBASSADOR  
EDWARD COPEL WAS PRESENT, SINCE IT WAS PRECISELY THROUGH U.S.  
DARRE THAT THE SCHOOL WAS REBUILT.

THE PFC DENT WAS INTERVIEWED BY JOURNALISTS ABOUT THE CASSETTE  
THAT IRES GUADALUPE QUANTE REPORTEDLY SENT THROUGH SAN SALVADOR  
ARCHBISHOP ROGER ARTHUR RIVERA Y DAHAS. ASKED TO COMMENT ABOUT  
THE RELEASE OF THE 21 MAYORS AND THE 3 MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS WHO WERE  
KIDNAPPED BY THE GUERRILLAS DURING THE PAST 3 MONTHS, PRESIDENT  
QUANTE SAID THE FOLLOWING:

(BEGIN RECORDING) (QUANTE) I CAN TELL YOU THAT I AM MAKING  
A GREAT EFFORT TO SAVE BOTH MY DAUGHTER AND THE MAYORS. I HAVE  
(WORDS INDISTINCT) THE PROPOSALS THAT THEY MAKE. (SILENCE  
INDISTINCT) WE HAVE FULFILLED ALL OF THIS AND WE HOPE THAT  
(PASSAGE INDISTINCT) IN THIS REGARD, YESTERDAY THE ARCHBISHOP  
GAVE ME THE INFORMATION (WORDS INDISTINCT) I DO NOT KNOW IT  
IN DETAIL. I WOULD WHAT HE SAID OVER RADIO SINCE THIS WAS  
REPORTED TO ME, BUT I DO NOT KNOW THE POINTS IN DETAIL. I DO NOT  
HAVE ANY COMMUNICATIONS THAT (WORDS INDISTINCT).

(QUESTION INDISTINCT)

(QUANTE) (WORDS INDISTINCT) (END RECORDING)

REGARDING THE SENDING OF THE CASSETTE THROUGH ROGER RIVERA  
DAHAS, PRESIDENT QUANTE SAID THAT IN THE CASSETTE IRES GUADALUPE  
EXPRESSED THANKS TO THE ARCHBISHOP AND GAVE THANKS TO GOD FOR THE  
EFFORTS THAT THE CHURCH IS MAKING. WITH REGARD TO THE FULFILLMENT  
OF THE DEMANDS OF THE GUERRILLAS, HE SAID: I DO NOT YET HAVE  
ANYTHING CONCRETE. I AM WAITING FOR THE ARCHBISHOP TO GIVE ME  
THE PROPOSAL THIS MORNING -- AT THIS TIME QUANTE SHOULD HAVE ALREADY

RECEIVED IT -- TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO. WITH REGARD TO THE NINE  
CASES THAT THEY MENTIONED AND THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN CLARIFIED, THE  
PRESIDENT SAID THAT HE HAS INVESTIGATED ALL OF THE CASES. QUANTE  
SAID THAT THIS HAD BEEN THE GENERAL POLICY OF THE GOVERNMENT, HE  
SAID: I HAVE MADE A GREAT EFFORT AND YOU -- HE WAS REFERRING TO  
THE JOURNALISTS -- KNOW WELL THAT I HAVE GIVEN THE INFORMATION TO  
THE CHURCH. THEREFORE, WE HAVE MADE THE GREATEST EFFORT AND I HOPE  
THIS WILL SHOW THE PEOPLE HOW WE WANT TO DO THINGS.  
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EL SALVADOR: RIVERA Y DANAS SAYS KIDNAPPING MAY HURT DIALOGUE

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PANAMA CITY AGAN IN SPANISH 1531 GMT 15 SEP 85

(BY CRISTINA HASSON DE HERINOL)

(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, 15 SEP (AGAN-EFE) -- THE KIDNAPPING OF THE DAUGHTER OF SALVADORIAN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE COULD ACCENTUATE THE DETERIORATION OF THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE GUERRILLAS, RTURO RIVERA Y DANAS, ARCHBISHOP OF SAN SALVADOR, STATED TODAY.

INES GUADALUPE DUARTE, 25, WAS KIDNAPPED 3 DAYS AGO BY SEVERAL ARMED MEN AND AS OF TODAY, NO ORGANIZATION HAS CLAIMED CREDIT FOR THE KIDNAPPING.

RIVERA Y DANAS SAID THAT IF THIS ACTION "IS FOR POLITICAL REASONS, IT COULD ACCENTUATE THE DETERIORATION OF THE DIALOGUE," ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT STATE THAT THE GUERRILLAS HAD CARRIED OUT THE KIDNAPPING.

GOVERNMENT AND REBEL REPRESENTATIVES HAVE MET TWICE TO ATTEMPT TO FIND PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO THE 5-YEAR-LONG WAR, BUT THE NEGOTIATIONS HAVE BEEN BLOCKED SINCE LATE LAST YEAR.

THE FMIS HAS NOT MADE ANY MENTION OF THE KIDNAPPING OF PRESIDENT DUARTE'S DAUGHTER ON ITS OFFICIAL RADIO VENCEREMOS AND RADIO FARMANDO MARTI RADIO STATIONS.

RIVERA Y DANAS SAID THAT WHEN THE CHURCH LEARNED OF THE KIDNAPPING "IT ASKED GOD FOR A QUICK AND COMFORTING OUTCOME."

HE NOTED THAT THE CHURCH HAS WANTED THE SAME FOR ALL THE SALVADORIANS WHO ARE DEPRIVED OF THEIR LIBERTY, BE IT FOR POLITICAL OR ECONOMIC REASONS, AS IS THE CASE OF 13 DAVOS WHO HAVE BEEN HELD BY THE REBELS SINCE LAST MAY.

"THE CHURCH CONDEMNS ANY ACT OF KIDNAPPING, REGARDLESS OF THE REASON, AND EXPRESSED ITS CONCERN OVER THE REPETITION OF SUCH ACTS, WHICH SIGNIFY A DISDAIN FOR HUMAN DIGNITY," THE ARCHBISHOP ADDED.

RIVERA Y DANAS SAID THAT THE "5 LONG YEARS OF USELESS CIVIL WAR" IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE RESULTED IN ARRESTS, KIDNAPPINGS, CONFRONTATIONS, BOMBINGS, KILLINGS, AND DAMAGE TO THE INFRASTRUCTURE -- A SITUATION THAT HAS LEFT THOUSANDS OF DEAD, REFUGEES, HOMELESS, WIDOWS, ORPHANS, AND HANDICAPPED.

TODAY'S MASS AT THE BISTITE CATHEDRAL IN THE CAPITAL IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF CENTRAL AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE, WAS ATTENDED BY PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, DIPLOMATIC CORPS REPRESENTATIVES, AND OTHER PERSONALITIES.

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REUTER: LEFTIST REBELS RESPONSIBLE FOR DUARTE KIDNAPPING

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MEXICO CITY REUTER IN ENGLISH TO REUTER LONDON 0348 GMT  
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(BY ROBERT BLOCH)

(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR SEP 16, REUTER -- LEFT-WING  
GUERRILLAS HAVE CONTACTED THE SALVADOREAN GOVERNMENT AND SAID  
THEY WERE HOLDING PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLION DUARTE'S KIDNAPPED  
DAUGHTER, SOURCES CLOSE TO THE GOVERNMENT SAID LAST NIGHT.

THE SOURCES, WHO SPoke ON CONDITION THAT THEY NOT BE  
IDENTIFIED, SAID A "VIOLENT" REBEL MILITARY GROUP BELONGING TO  
THE FARABUNDO MARTI NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (FMLN) HAD TAKEN  
CREDIT FOR LAST WEEK'S ABDUCTION OF INES MARLOUPE DUARTE DURAN.

THEY DID NOT SPECIFY WHICH OF THE FIVE GROUPS FIGHTING THE  
FMLN WHICH HAS BEEN FIGHTING A SIX-YEAR GUERRILLA WAR AGAINST EL  
SALVADOR'S U.S.-BACKED GOVERNMENT HAD TAKEN RESPONSIBILITY OR  
WHAT THEIR DEMANDS WERE FOR HER RELEASE.

DUARTE DURAN, 25, THE OLDEST OF THE PRESIDENT'S SIX CHILDREN  
WAS ABDUCTED BY GUNMEN ALONG WITH A CLASSMATE IN FRONT OF A SAN  
SALVADOR UNIVERSITY LAST TUESDAY.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS EARLIER HAD SAID THE ORGANIZATION AND  
STYLE OF THE ABDUCTION LED THEM TO BELIEVE THAT THE FMLN WAS  
BEHIND THE ACTION BUT REBEL RADIO STATIONS WHICH NORMALLY TAKE  
CREDIT FOR SUCH ACTION HAVE REMAINED SILENT.

DIPLOMATIC SOURCES SAID THE GUERRILLAS WERE PROBABLY VERY  
SURPRISED BY THE EXTENT OF INTERNATIONAL OUTRAGE PROVOKED BY  
THE ABDUCTION AND HAD DECIDED NOT TO ANNOUNCE PUBLICLY THEIR  
RESPONSIBILITY.

ONE DUARTE AIDE ACCIDENTLY TOLD REUTERS THAT THE GOVERNMENT  
WAS HOPING THE KIDNAPPERS WOULD NOT MAKE ANY PUBLIC STATEMENT BUT  
INSTEAD SEEN PRIVATE CONTACTS WHERE AN AGREEMENT COULD BE WORKED  
OUT.

A HIGH RANKING MILITARY SOURCE CLOSE TO THE INVESTIGATION  
TOLD REUTERS THAT THE FIRST CONTACT BETWEEN THE KIDNAPPERS AND  
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WAS MADE ON FRIDAY BUT SAID THE COMMUNICATION  
WAS CUT SHORT WHEN A HELICOPTER WAS HEARD FLYING IN THE BACKGROUND.

ANOTHER SOURCE SAID THE CONTACT WAS MADE THROUGH THE ARMY'S  
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM WITH A STOLEN MILITARY RADIO.

THE SOURCES SAID GOVERNMENT LEADERS WERE SATISFIED THE CONTACT

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WAS LEGITIMATE AND THAT THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER WAS SAFE FOR THE  
TIME BEING, BUT FAR FROM OUT OF DANGER.

THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS IN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES THAT THE  
KIDNAPPERS HAVE DEMANDED THE RELEASE OF THE TOP GUERRILLA LEADERS  
NOW BEING HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT IN EXCHANGE FOR DUARTE DURAN.

ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS THE GOVERNMENT IS HOLDING AT LEAST FIVE  
IMPORTANT GUERRILLAS, INCLUDING TWO TOP REBEL MILITARY LEADERS:  
MIGUEL DIAZ, A POLITICAL-MILITARY CHIEF FOR THE SMALL REVOLUTIONARY  
WORKERS' PARTY (PRTC) AND AMERICO MAURO ARAUJO THE NUMBER  
TWO IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY FORCES.

ONE TOP MILITARY OFFICIAL SAID IF THE KIDNAPPERS INSISTED ON THE  
RELEASE OF ALL THE TOP CAPTURED REBELS THEN "INES IS GOING TO DIE  
BECAUSE THEY WOULD NEVER RELEASE THEM ALL."

DUARTE HAS NAMED A THREE-PARTY COMMISSION COMPOSED OF A CLOSE  
ADVISER, HIS SON AND THE COUNTRY'S DEFENCE MINISTER TO CONSIDER  
THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION IN MEETING ANY OF THE KIDNAPPERS DEMANDS.

NONE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION WERE AVAILABLE FOR  
COMMENT BUT SOURCES CLOSE TO THE ADVISORY PANEL SAID THE GUERRILLAS  
WERE PROBABLY LOOKING FOR A DIPLOMATIC EXIT TO THE PROBLEM.

THEY SAID THE GOVERNMENT MIGHT BE WILLING TO REFRAIN FROM  
PUBLICLY BLAMING THE FMLN OR ITS POLITICAL WING, THE DEMOCRATIC  
REVOLUTIONARY FRONT (FDR) AND INSTEAD SAY THE ABDUCTION WAS  
THE WORK OF CASH-SEEKING COMMON CRIMINALS.

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CALLER BY SALVADORAN COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER JUAN ADOLFO REY  
PREMIES, DURING WHICH HE RULED OUT THAT THE SALVADORAN GOVERNMENT  
WILL MAKE CONCESSIONS TO THE KIDNAPPERS "THAT JEOPARDIZE NATIONAL  
SECURITY."

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PRENSA LATINA: DUARTE 'PERSONALLY' NEGOTIATING WITH KIDNAPPERS

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HANAGUA PRENSA LATINA IN SPANISH TO PRENSA LATINA  
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(TEXT) SAN JOSE, 27 SEP 01 -- THE NEXT SEVERAL HOURS  
ARE BELIEVED TO BE CRUCIAL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF SALVADORAN  
PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE, WHO IS FACED WITH THE  
UNAVOIDABLE NECESSITY OF NEGOTIATING WITH HIS DAUGHTER'S KIDNAPPERS  
AND ANSWERING FOR THE CASES OF MISSING PEOPLE IN THAT COUNTRY.

INES GUADALUPE DUARTE DURAN, 35, AND HER FRIEND CECILIA  
VILLEGAS WERE KIDNAPPED ON 10 SEPTEMBER IN FRONT OF THE CAMPUS  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN SALVADOR BY SEVERAL UNIDENTIFIED ARMED  
MEN.

ALTHOUGH THE CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATIC REGIME IS MAINTAINING TOTAL  
SILENCE WITH REGARD TO PRESUMED CONTACTS WITH THE KIDNAPPERS,  
CENTRAL AMERICAN PRESS MEDIA HAVE REPORTED THAT DUARTE IS  
PERSONALLY CONDUCTING THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE MEMBERS OF THE  
SELF-STYLED "PEOPLE PEOPLE GUERRILLA" FRONT, INSTEAD OF THE  
HQM, BUT WHICH CLAIMS TO BE A GUERRILLA CELL.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, THE GROUP HAS MORE CONTACT WITH THE  
DUARTE ADMINISTRATION, DEMANDING SOLUTIONS TO THE CASE OF INES  
GUADALUPE DUARTE DURAN WHICH REGIONAL PRESS MEDIA HAVE  
INDICATED ARE DIRECTLY RELATED WITH THE SITUATION OF THE THOUSANDS  
OF PEOPLE LISTED AS MISSING IN EL SALVADOR.

REPORTS ISSUED BY HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATIONS INDICATE THAT  
APPROXIMATELY 5,000 CITIZENS HAVE DISAPPEARED IN EL SALVADOR  
OVER THE PAST 4 YEARS, HAVING PREVIOUSLY BEEN SEIZED BY SECURITY  
FORCES AND DEATH SQUADS.

THE REGIME HAS SUBSEQUENTLY REFUSED PRESS MEDIA DEMANDING  
INFORMATION ON THE WHEREABOUTS OF TWO AMERICAN WHO WERE  
ARRESTED ON 23 SEPTEMBER, WHILE A LONG LIST OF NEW IMPRISONERS WAS  
ALSO CITED.

THE CHRISTIAN LEGAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE REPORTED THAT  
1,104 SALVADORANS WERE IMPRISONED OVER THE PAST 3 MONTHS, EVIDENCING  
THE LACK OF GUARANTEES AND THE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS THAT  
EXIST IN EL SALVADOR.

THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CAPTORS OF INES GUADALUPE DUARTE  
DURAN HAVE GIVEN RISE TO SERIOUS CONTRADICTIONS BETWEEN THE  
GOVERNMENT AND THE HIGH MILITARY COMMAND.

REPORTS TO THAT EFFECT BECAME STRONGER AFTER A NEWS CONFERENCE

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BUENOS AIRES REUTER IN ENGLISH TO REUTER LONDON 1520 OCT  
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(MY ROBERT BLOCK)

(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, OCT 15 REUTER -- NEGOTIATIONS  
BETWEEN PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON DUARTE AND LEFTIST GUERRILLAS --  
HOLDING HIS KIDNAPPED DAUGHTER HAVE COMPLICATED, DASHING HOPES  
THAT THE WOMAN COULD BE RELEASED IN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, INFORMED  
SOURCES SAID TODAY.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, WHO ASKED NOT TO BE IDENTIFIED, THE  
GUERRILLAS HAVE HARDENED THEIR DEMANDS AFTER REACHING AN  
AGREEMENT EARLIER THIS WEEK TO FREE INES GUADALUPE DUARTE  
DURAN AND A FRIEND CAPTURED ALONG WITH HER FIVE WEEKS AGO.

"EVERYTHING HAS BEEN SENT TO HELL," ONE SOURCE CLOSE TO THE  
NEGOTIATIONS TOLD REUTERS, REFERRING TO THE DEAL TO RELEASE  
21 REBELS FROM GOVERNMENT JAILS IN EXCHANGE FOR THE TWO WOMEN.

ON WEDNESDAY, ONE DAY AFTER MEETING WITH TOP GUERRILLA LEADERS  
OUTSIDE THE CAPITAL TO RESOLVE THE CASE, SALVADOREAN ARCHBISHOP  
ARTURO RIVERA Y DAMAS TOLD REPORTERS NEGOTIATIONS WERE CLOSE TO  
AN END AND THAT THE WOMEN COULD BE RELEASED THIS WEEK.

BUT ONE SOURCE SAID THE REBELS NOW ARE INSISTING THAT THEY  
WILL NOT RELEASE DUARTE DORAN UNTIL THE GOVERNMENT COMPLETES STEPS  
ON A SEPARATE BUT RELATED EXCHANGE OF 23 FORM MAYORS HELD BY THE  
REBELS FOR THE SAFE CONDUCT OF SOME 100 DISABLED GUERRILLA  
COMBATANTS TO RECEIVE MEDICAL TREATMENT OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY.

THE SOURCE ADDED THAT THE REBELS WANTED THE ENTIRE EXCHANGE FOR  
THE MAYORS, THE DISABLED, THE 21 GUERRILLA PRISONERS AND DUARTE  
DURAN TO TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY.

ACCORDING TO SOURCES CLOSE TO THE NEGOTIATIONS, THE GOVERNMENT  
AND GUERRILLAS AGREED EARLIER THIS WEEK TO SEPARATE THE CASE OF THE  
MAYORS FROM THE DUARTE DORAN KIDNAPPING.

THEY SAID THE DEAL WORKED OUT WITH THE GUERRILLAS BY  
ARCHBISHOP RIVERA Y DAMAS WAS TO FIRST EXCHANGE THE 23 REBEL

PRISONERS FOR DUARTE DORAN AND HER FRIEND.

SHORTLY AFTER, IN WHAT WOULD BE PRESENTED AS A BILATERAL  
HUMANITARIAN GESTURE, THE GOVERNMENT WOULD LET THE DISABLED OUT  
OF THE COUNTRY AND THE GUERRILLAS WOULD FREE THE MAYORS.

ACCORDING TO ONE WELL-PLACED SOURCE, THE GUERRILLAS ARE NOW  
ALSO DEMANDING THE RELEASE OF A NUMBER OF LEFTIST UNION LEADERS  
FROM GOVERNMENT JAILS AS WELL AS THE EXODUS OF THE DISABLED. IN  
RETURN, THEY WOULD FREE THE MAYORS AND THE TWO WOMEN, THE SOURCES  
SAID.

SOME OF THE UNION LEADERS WHO FREEDOM WAS ASKED FOR BY THE  
GUERRILLAS WERE NOT IN GOVERNMENT HANDS, FURTHER COMPLICATING  
THE POSSIBILITY OF A QUICK SOLUTION TO THE DUARTE DORAN CASE,  
ONE SOURCE SAID.

DIPLOMATS AND THE INFORMED SOURCES SAID AN EXCHANGE OF THAT  
MAGNITUDE IN ONE DAY AS THE GUERRILLAS HAVE DEMANDED WOULD BE  
DIFFICULT IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE THE PEOPLE CONCERNED WERE  
LOCATED IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

ONE SOURCE CLOSE TO THE GOVERNMENT SAID DUARTE WAS GOING TO  
INSIST THAT THE GUERRILLAS STICK TO THE ORIGINAL DEAL.

PRESIDENT DUARTE TOLD A GROUP OF REPORTERS ON THURSDAY THAT  
DESPITE RIVERA Y DAMAS CLAIMS THAT A DEAL HAD REACHED BETWEEN  
THE GUERRILLAS AND THE GOVERNMENT TO FREE HIS DAUGHTER, HE HAD NO  
INFORMATION SHE WOULD BE FREED SOON.

"I HOPE THE OPTIMISM OF THE BISHOP IS CORRECT," DUARTE SAID.  
"I HOPE THAT I COULD HAVE MY DAUGHTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE...BUT  
I STILL DO NOT KNOW."

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(TEXT) SAN SALVADOR, OCT 22, REUTER -- THE SALVADOREAN  
GOVERNMENT AND LEFTIST GUERRILLAS REPORTEDLY REACHED  
AN AGREEMENT TODAY TO RESOLVE THE SIX-WEEK-OLD KIDNAPPING OF  
PRESIDENT JOSE NAPOLEON QUARTE'S DAUGHTER. SOURCES CLOSE TO  
THE NEGOTIATIONS SAID.

THEY SAID TWO TOP GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES AND TWO REBEL  
SPOKESMEN HAD SIGNED AN AGREEMENT IN PANAMA CITY THIS MORNING  
TO FREE IMES GUADALUPE QUARTE DURAN AND A FRIEND WITHIN  
THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENT WERE NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN BUT ONE  
SOURCE SAID THE ARRANGEMENTS WERE MEDIATED BY SALVADOREAN  
ARCHBISHOP ASTURO RIVERA DOMAS AND HEAD OF THE PANAMANIAN  
NATIONAL GUARD MANUEL NORIEGA.

SOURCES PRESENT AT THE MEETING WHO CONTACTED REPORTERS  
HERE BY TELEPHONE SAID PART OF THE DEAL INVOLVED RELEASING  
21 REBEL PRISONERS FROM GOVERNMENT JAILS AND THE GOVERNMENT  
GIVING SAFE CONDUCT TO SOME 140 DISABLED REBELS NOW IN GUERRILLA  
HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO LEAVE EL SALVADOR FOR  
MEDICAL TREATMENT IN EUROPE.

THE DEAL, REACHED BY QUARTE AID ABRAHAM RODRIGUEZ AND  
COMMUNICATIONS AND CULTURE MINISTER JULIO REY PRENDEZ FOR  
THE GOVERNMENT AND SALVADOR SAMAYOA AND MARIO AGUIRRE FOR  
THE GUERRILLAS, FOLLOWED A DOWNTURN IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR

QUARTE DURAN'S FREEDOM LAST WEEK.

ACCORDING TO SOURCES, THE GUERRILLAS INCREASED THEIR  
DEMANDS AFTER A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT TO FREE THE 21 REBELS  
IN EXCHANGE FOR QUARTE DURAN AND HER FRIEND HAD BEEN REACHED.

THE SOURCES SAID THE REBELS ALSO WANTED TO INCLUDE THE  
DISABLED REBELS AND SOME UNION LEADERS HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT  
IN THE DEAL AND IN RETURN THEY WOULD ALSO RELEASE 23 MAYORS WHO  
HAVE BEEN KIDNAPPED BY THE REBELS OVER THE LAST FIVE MONTHS.

THE SOURCES CLOSE TO TODAY'S NEGOTIATIONS SAID THEY WERE NOT  
SURE IF THE MAYORS WERE ALSO INVOLVED IN THE NEW AGREEMENT.

ACCORDING TO DIPLOMATS AND GOVERNMENT SOURCES, IF QUARTE  
CANNOT ARRANGE THE RELEASE OF THE MAYORS AS WELL AS THE FREEDOM  
OF HIS DAUGHTER TO EVEN OUT THE NUMBERS HE COULD FACE A HUGE  
POLITICAL CRISIS FROM THE MILITARY AND OPPOSITION POLITICAL  
SECTORS ACCUSING HIM OF ACTING OUT OF PERSONAL CONCERNS AND NOT  
NATIONAL INTERESTS.

RIGHTIST POLITICAL PARTIES AND BUSINESS SECTORS HAVE ALREADY  
STARTED A CAMPAIGN IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS AGAINST QUARTE FOR HAVING  
NEGOTIATED WITH THE GUERRILLAS.

ACCORDING TO THE SOURCES, QUARTE DURAN AND THE GUERRILLAS  
INVOLVED IN THE EXCHANGE COULD ALL BE RELEASED BY THURSDAY OR  
FRIDAY AND THE PANAMANIAN GOVERNMENT WOULD PROBABLY  
BE INVOLVED IN TRANSPORTING THE GUERRILLAS OUT OF THE COUNTRY.  
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